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Proposed Greenwood Land Management Ordinance

Out-of-town opponent threatens supporters on Twitchell Pond with long summer of party boats and contractors in Speedos

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The threats sounded more like outtakes from "The Sopranos" than reasoned debate about a decision facing (possibly) town meeting voters in Greenwood, Maine.

David Brainard and Alan Hamilton are neighbors, their homes less than a quarter of a mile apart on the Greenwood Road, as it runs along the shore of Twitchell Pond.

The homes are modest (hardly shorefront McMansions), but they are bright and welcoming, and have lovely views of the nearby waters, and Rowe's (a.k.a. "Payne") Ledge beyond.

Both men serve, or have served, on the Greenwood Planning Board, and both support the proposed new Land Management Ordinance (see story below).

And they have something else in common.

Last Wednesday, the day after the town selectmen opted not to put a proposed land management ordinance on the warrant for this month's annual town meeting (see related story), Hamilton and Brainard each received a tele-

'So when you're looking out front, you and your buddy Al, my brother Rick and I and a bunch of our friends will be out there partying, about five feet off the lakefront.

RON SAVAGE, in a telephone message left for Greenwood Planning Board member David Brainard

phone call from an out-oftown contractor who has been one of the most outspoken opponents of the ordinance.

Hamilton was home and spoke with the caller; Brainard was not home, so the caller left a message.

minute long, and this is what the caller had to say:

"Hi, Dave, Ron Savage call-

ing.
"Sorry I didn't get to you in person, but I got your voice mail here. You'll have a recording of this, so you can share it with the rest of the people around the pond.

"Just want to let you know I'm on my way down to the boatyard, and I'm picking up a couple of pontoon boats today, and we're going to park them about five feet off your property line, down on the beach, and

management ordinance.

annual town meeting.

The message was roughly a we're going to have a little bit of a party during the summer down there.

> "About five feet off the shoreline would do pretty well.

We're gonna wear one of those Canadian Speedos, and we're gonna ... [sentence not completed].

"You want to mess with my property rights, we're going to mess with yours, Buddy.

So when you're looking out front, you and your buddy Al, my brother Rick and I and a bunch of our friends will be out

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SUNSHINE AND SMILES ON SONGO-Mother Nature smiled on the March 7-8 Maine Cheverolet Statewide Ice Fishing Derby, bringing sunny skies and unseasonably warm temperatures to the state. The Bear River Trading Post in Newry served as the local weigh station, where 45 freshly-caught fish were recorded, according to owner Doug Webster. The derby was open for pike, togue, pickerel and muskie. On Songo Pond Saturday, John Corriveau, Chris Schwarz, Amber Morin, Octavia Morin, Mariaha Morin and Anthony Morin sat back and enjoyed the sun and each other's company while they watched over the 20 traps they set. By mid-afternoon, they had pulled in a 9-inch chub and a six-inch yellow perch. The perch bit on the pole line Corriveau tends in the foreground. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Milliard says PO was a home away from home

During his time as Bethel's postmaster, Norm Milliard has taken in stride events ranging from the blossoming of the electronic communications era, to a political storm over the location of a new post

Now, after 16 years in the position, Norm is retiring.

"It's been a great ride. There has always been a core of people in this office who look at their workplace as an extension of family," he said. "I will miss that a great deal." And he will depart proud of the service he and his staff provide to the community.

come back to Maine.* He has owned a home in

Greenwood since the early

Long time Bethel postmaster retiring

carrier.

Carrier to postmaster A native of Aroostook County, he first joined the Postal Service family in 1986, as a letter carrier on Long Island,

He worked up to a supervisor position.

But, he said, "I wanted to

Norm made his way back to his home state in 1990, transferring to Lewiston as a city

He once again worked his way up to a supervisory position, and put himself in place to be appointed postmaster when a position opened.

When Bethel became available in 1993, he said, "I thought this area had great opportunity, because it was, and still is,

a growing area.

It wasn't long before that growth placed him in the middle of a "fire." as he describes

The Post Office was outgrowing its space on Main Street, with seemingly no space to expand.

But a proposal in 1997 to

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See PETITION, Page 4 Man sought after raid finds 40 pot plants in Newry 'grow room'

Petition calls for putting

the ordinance to voters

at annual town meeting

At their annual town meeting later this month, Greenwood voters may yet have the opportunity to make the call on whether the town is to adopt a comprehensive new land

Ordinance supporters David Brainard (a current member of the town Planning Board) and Alan Hamilton (a former member) are collecting signatures on a petition calling for town selectmen to put the matter to voters at this month's

That had been the Planning Board's expectation during more than a year it spent drafting the document, said

The new ordinance, 37 pages long, would, if voters approve, replace the current three-quarters of a page document that provides the town's land management standards. In its work on the new document the Planning Board had assistance from John Maloney, a senior planner with the

Maloney has worked for more than 30 years on subdivision, shoreland zoning and site plan review ordinances. And the final form (Draft Six) of the proposed ordinance was vetted by the town attorney, Town Manager Kim

Androscoggin Valley Council of Government.

A man with Maine, Massachusetts and Montana ties is being sought for questioning by Maine State Police in a Ne-

Investigating Trooper Jason Wing is seeking help from the public to find Greg DeSatnick, 26, who has family in Marblehead, Mass., and may be attending college in Mis-

wry pot case.

soula, Mont. DeSatnick is wanted for questioning after police armed with a search warrant found drug paraphernalia, a small amount of cocaine and 40 pot plants in a "very well established (marijuana) growroom" in the Maine vacation home of his parents, Allen DeSatnick and his late wife,

West Paris voters sign

Wing said that on Feb. 28, a trustee from the DeSatnick family estate came up to look at the property, discovered the pot and contacted state

Wing said a search warrant was obtained from a judge and Maine Assistant Attorney General David Fisher. who were both at the nearby Sunday River Ski Resort at the time.

Then, with assistance from the Oxford County Sheriff's Office, Wing, Trooper Adam Fillebrown and Maine Drug Enforcement Agency Agent Tony Milligan searched the residence.

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Andover debates town-employee health coverage

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SPHOENIX

By ALISON ALOISIO Should current Andover em-

ployees have their health benefits grandfathered, or should the benefits change under a new proposed personnel policy ordinance?

That question drew the most discussion at a two-hour pub-

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lic hearing Tuesday on two separate proposals to deal with employee policy.

About 45 people attended. The two proposed plans, one created by a citizen committee and the other by an employee committee, will be voted upon at the annual town meeting March 21.

The citizen committee. formed at last year's town meeting, was charged with looking at the wages and benefits in the existing town personnel policy.

After studying it, said chairman Sid Pew, the committee

decided the best option would be to create a new ordinance. Ordinance plan

Both the concept of an ordinance and its content prompted debate Tuesday.

If approved, the ordinance could only be changed by voters at a future town meeting. But if current policy form

remains in place, selectmen would continue to have the power to make changes themselves in administering it.

BECKY SHAW DAY MT. ABRAM

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Thursday, March 12:

Clip and Bring 2 for 1 in the Millbrook Tavern! March Madness!!!!

Every day but Saturday, purchase a Taven entrée and get your second item of equal or lesser value for FREE!

Limit 8 per coupon Valid until March 28, 2009 (Spread the word, tell friends & family... feel free to make copies of this coupon!)



ON THE COMMON 824-2175 MEDICAL PROPERTY OF A COMPANIES

For Comedian Leah Bonnema and her All Female Comedy Review with Maggie Champagne, Jackie Monahan and music by Jewel Clark 7-10 pm, \$10 - Conference Center Call today for advance reservations!

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off on all but one article Other articles passed with little discussion.

Most pertained to the mu-

nicipal budget, which was

approved at \$1,069,108, down

\$61.115 from last year's

\$1,130,223

By DUANE HAYES, Sun Wire About 50 West Paris vot ers attended Saturday's town meeting, approving all but one item on a 48-article warrant.

Rejected was a fee proposed for the building ordinance. The ordinance requires people to notify the town of projects. It was approved several years ago with the stipulation that no fee be assessed.

noted the figure does not include the SAD17 assessment or the Oxford County tax.

Town Manager John White

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Woodstock/ Greenwood Summer Baseball

Softball Sign-ups

Tuesday, March 24 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm Saturday, March 28 from 10 am-1 pm Tuesday, March 31 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm **Woodstock Recreation Center**

(Located on Railroad Street)
These will be the only dates for Sign-Ups \$10 00 perchild \$25 00 per family with 3 or more children

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WINTERFEST BRAINSTORMING

To the Editor:

On Monday, March 16, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Rooster's Roadhouse, anyone with good and creative ideas for the WinterFest "2010 is encouraged to attend and share their ideas. It has been _suggested that an old-fashioned winter carnival should have amany events organized and run by various community organizations.

How about a Polar Bear Plunge to benefit school sports teams; a Snowbox derby on the hill at the Bethel Inn Resort; snowmobile radar runs at the Bethel Airport; an antique snowmo-"bile show; snowman building contests; snow and ice sculpture events; hot air balloon rides? These are just a few ideas and we welcome others. No RSVP is necessary.

Robin Zinchuk

Executive Director, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

SKATE PARK UPDATE, THANKS

"To the Editor:

, ,, Thank you, thank you, thank you! We have just received tremendous financial support from the town of Newry, the Beth-el Rotary, and Savage Construction for building a new skate park in Bethel. This help with funding is much appreciated and has us well on the way toward making this park a reality. "And many thanks to all the towns, businesses, organizations ...and individuals who have been helping as well

There is a new plan for the skate park that has much to do for skaters of all abilities. It includes "street" skating (on obstacles that one might find along a street), as well as two connected bowls of graduated depths (3 feet and 5 feet). The park will have a number of skate paths that intersect near the center of the park and are separated by grassy areas. And a grassy berm will separate the skate park from the recreational pathway at ، Davis Park.

Thanks to Dave Bean, Nate Clukey, Eric Bretton, Toebee Parkhurst, Wally Holiday and local skaters for helping to come up with this design that incorporates all the elements that skaters are looking for but with a reduced amount of concrete. Jim Sysko has done a great job drawing up the plans and supporting this project as well.

Thanks to Scott Cole and the town of Bethel for being very supportive of this project, and to Don Murphy for his help with The permitting process.

Thanks to Ron Savage and Savage Construction for his will-Ingness to help and to rally other contractors' and landscap-

Many thanks to Barb Russell, SAD44 Health Coordinator, and Robin Zinchuck of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce for their letters of support.

And many thanks to all the area businesses and individuals who have helped in so many ways — providing meeting space, collecting donations, making donations of cash, goods, services and materials, allowing us to post flyers and information, use parking lots, and being supportive. These businesses include: The Mouse and Bean, Bethel Foodliner, Western Maine Supply, the Jolly Draman, Northeast Bank, Brooks Brothers, Little Bits, Sassafras Market, Kelley's Auto, True North Adventureware, Café Di Cocoa, Kai Clothing, Bob and Terry's Ski Shop, Great American Ski Renting Co and Ski Wear Outlet, Jack Frost Ski Shop, Dream Realty, Sunny Breeze, Pinnacle Snowboard Shop, The Barking Dawg, Wheeler's Redemp-

__ I'm sorry if I've left anyone out. If your business would like a donation can or to post information, or to help in any way and we haven't approached you yet, please let me know.

Anyone wanting to contribute funding for the park can drop money in donation cans at area businesses, drop bottles off at Wheeler's Redempton and ask that the refund be given to the new skate park, or send a donation to Friends of Davis Park, PO Box 705, Bethel or the Town of Bethel, PO Box 1660, Bethel, ME 04217. Your contributions are tax deductible and we have a donor willing to match \$10,000.

Thanks for supporting the kids who have been out fundraising for the skate park. Every penny brings us closer to a new skate park, which is budgeted at \$91,982, and we're about halfway there! Please help in whatever way you can.

A special thanks to Francis Dumont for his inspiration. And again, many thanks to Newry, Bethel, the Rotary, Savage Construction and all the businesses, organizations and individuals who, by helping to build a new skate park, are providing a healthy outdoor activity for kids and kids at heart to enjoy.

> Nancy Babcock for the Greater Bethel Area Skate Park Committee

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify author-

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LET GREENWOOD VOTERS DECIDE

To the Editor:

The Greeenwood selectmen removed the Land Use Regulation Article from the Town Meeting warrant at their meeting of March 3, denying citizens of the town opportunity to vote on it at the Town Meeting. This article protects the town from unsightly hill and ridgeline development and provides other controls aimed at preserving the town "pretty much as it is" and preventing

 $ar{ ext{A}}$ petition is available that asks the selectmen to return the article to the town warrant for the upcoming Town Meeting. The petition will be presented at the selectmen's meeting of March 17, at 5 p.m.

Please contact me at 875-2680 to sign the petition and plan to attend the above selectmen's meeting Your presence will assure them of your support for them in putting the article back in

> Alan Hamilton Greenwood

DEP PROPOSAL THREATENS DEVELOPMENT

To the Editor:

On behalf of myself and my staff at Main-Land Development Consultants, we'd like to thank the 75 or so concerned citizens who attended our Feb. 25 forum co-sponsored by the Bethel Area Business Association on the Maine Department of Environmental Protection's proposed revisions to the Site Location of Development Law and its related rules.

As I stressed during our presentation, never in my 37 years as a land use consultant have I been more concerned about the consequences of a piece of planning legislation than I am now. Based on our deep understanding of the current site law and our careful review of the proposed changes to it, I truly believe if these new initiatives are implemented, development in Maine will come to a standstill. In these trying economic times, our state leaders must be encouraging thoughtful, responsible growth in our communities, not outlawing it.

Many of the developers our firm works with throughout western Maine also live and recreate in the region, largely because they have a deep appreciation and respect for the area's natural resources. Given this, they care just as much as the good folks at the Maine DEP do about protecting what makes western Maine so special. Recent growth in the greater Bethel area that has attracted many visitors and the important job and revenue opportunities that are created as a result while concurrently preserving the region's resources is a testament to this. It also illustrates the effectiveness of the development laws already on the books. Sadly, many of the very projects that have been such a boom to the Bethel area in the past five years would have been flat-out prohibited under the proposed law and rule changes, without ever having been given a chance for review by the town's planners.

Micromanaging a developer's contractor list or requiring evidence of a loan or line of credit before a project is even approved doesn't fulfill the Maine DEP's stated mission to "protect and enhance the public's right to use and enjoy the State's natural resources." Instead, it ties the hands of those looking to invest in our towns and robs local government of the control over their communities.

The fact that so many greater Bethel area citizens — from bankers to builders to Planning Board members — attended our forum speaks to the region's clear commitment to its future and the smart growth that will ensure that future is a prosperous one. It is we the people who are the strongest stewards of our communities and as long as we continue to speak up, it will hopefully remain that way.

Darryl Brown

President/Owner Main-Land Development Consultants

PERFORMING ARTS PROJECT MEETING

To the Editor:

On Sunday, March 15 from 4 until ten minutes before Leah Bonnema's show starts at the Bethel Inn Conference Center at 7, the Bethel Performing Arts Project and Barry and Brooke Hallett will host the first community meeting of the Project at The Funky Red Barn on Summer Street in Bethel.

The Halletts will graciously open their restaurant on a day off to help the Project get our message out. One very central part of the Project's message is exemplified by the Hallett's generosity: businesses partnering with the performing arts. Several recent and successful events enjoyed by the community include BPAP's collaboration with The Bethel Inn ("The Legend of Lefty" dinner theater) and with The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's "Buy Local - Shop Around" (entertainers performed in a number of Main Street businesses).

What do we hope to accomplish with this meeting? We hope to explain the Project's mission and how it can be of significant benefit to both the performing arts and business community. We hope to meet people interested in participating in the Project and identify their area of interest: performer, business, patron, volunteer, or or ganization?

Our ambitious project seeks the involvement of our schools and churches as well. We are hoping to attract the participation of people of all ages.

We want to hear from you. There is no lack of great ideas in our community and many of those ideas could become quite effective community building blocks by incorporating a business and arts collaboration. If this sounds a little far-fetched to you, you might want to attend this meeting. If enhancing our community through the arts is appealing to you, you might want to attend this meeting too.

A "thank you for your donation" dinner will be served and we are requesting an RSVP if possible by March 13. We wish to thank you in advance for your support and we hope to see you there. For more information, businesses please call Ross me at 824-3353 and performers please call Lynn Arizzi at 824-0080.

Ross Timberlake Bethel

BOARD CANDIDATE IN GILEAD

To the Editor:

I would like to announce my candidacy for the position of select person hoping to serve the town of Gilead.

My education is in business and real estate. I have completed land use law courses, and I am familiar with Robert's rules. I will be available for any training or governmental education that the town would like me to attend or is made available to me.

I served on the SAD44 board of directors for 7.5 years. I was appointed to complete a term then elected for two terms. I have been working on the Gilead Comprehensive Plan, my husband and I are members of Gilead Historical Society, and I plan to do whatever I can to assist with the Gilead Friends and Family Days.

Thank you for considering me for this position. If elected I will do my best to serve Gilead well. Frances M. Head

FOOD PANTRY THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Bethel Food Pantry and all the Oxford County residents who use it, we thank Sue Ellen Richardson and the Sunday River Community, Nancy Eaton and Kevin O'Reilly, the area churches for the regular donations, The Jolly Drayman English Pub for regular donations, Androscoggin Trust-Investment Services for their generous donation, and countless individuals and groups for their donations of food and cash.

It is your thoughtful regard for those in need that makes our community strong. Open by appointment only. Call Dave Bean (824-0369) or Eric Stephenson (824-6692).

Dave Bean and Eric Stephenson

The Bethel Food Pantry

ROTARY FUNDRAISER THANKS

To the Editor:

and hope to see you all again.

On behalf of the entire Rotary Club of Bethel, we just wanted to take the time to give our warmest gratitude and thanks to all those who helped make our recent Annual Black Diamond Wine and Beer Tasting charity a rousing success. Thank you to all the Black Diamond and Women's Turn members, Perfect Turn Ski and snowboard pros, River Runner parents and everyone else for your generosity in once again attending our event, and we hope that a good time was had by

Thanks in large part to your terrific participation and contribution to this event, the Bethel Rotary Club will be able to continue in our longstanding commitment to helping both local community projects, student scholarships, events and charities, as well as Rotary's many humanitarian efforts across the globe.

We would be remiss if we didn't give a special thanks to Dave and Heather Nivus of the Good Food Store as well as Greg Perry, Patti Swan, Kevin Blood and Helen Davies, all of whom went above and beyond in making our wine and beer tasting the success it was. Once again, thank you to all who attended and we hope to continue with this fun event next year

> Michael Liberti For the Rotary Club of Bethel

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Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson 10 years ago: The 58-member Telstar High School/Middle School band presented a concert at the Telstar auditorium. Also featured was the Telstar High School Vocal Chorale.

The Chamber of Commerce held its 7th annual Bethel Area Mountain Madness Alpine Derby at Sunday River Ski Resort.

The choir of the Bethel Church of the Nazarene was rehearsing an Easter Cantata under the direction of Rev. Deborah Grant. Deaths: Henry Joseph Rein,

Jr., Henry Giroux, Myrna L. Holt, Helena P. "Nina" Goodwin, John Harold Blakney, Jr., Mildred L. Kilgore. 20 years ago: Maple sap

was running and local syrup makers were busy tapping their trees.

The first draft of Bethel's fiscal year 1990 budget topped \$1 million, up 22 percent over 1989.

Crescent Park School's third-graders were collecting money to buy evergreen seedlings for their Kids for Trees project.

Stowell Births: Jessica Doonan, Kenneth Everett Rand, Heather Marie York."

30 years ago: Auditions were being held for a community musical, "Plain and Fancy," to be presented in late April under the direction of Benny Reehl.

The Bethel Planning Board presented the recently completed Comprehensive Plan to the Board of Selectmen. A collection of paintings by

Doug Bane were on display at the Bethel Library. Deaths: Guyson G. Davis, Olga M. Heikkinen, Theòdore A. Shaw.

40 years ago: Miss Terry Roy was crowned queen of the 1969 Winter Carnival sponsored by the Greater Bethel Chamber of Commerce.

A Minstrel Show, "All Aboard for College" was held at the Telstar Auditorium, sponsored by Dollars for Scholars.

The new pastor of the Bethel Nazarene Church was Rev. Richard Parker.

Jack Wyrtzen conducted a Word of Life" Rally at the Telstar auditorium.

Birth: Marjorie Elizabeth

Durgin. 50 years ago: Edmund C. Smith, owner-operator of Wydeacre Farm, Bethel, was elected to the Agricultural Advisory Council of the Uni-

versity of Maine. expenditures Welfare for the town of Bethel during January and February amounted to \$588.87.

Lee Ann Grover was elected carnival queen at Gould Academy. A depth of five feet of snow

was reported at Bosebuck Camps in Wilson's Mills. Birth: Anlynn Ann Gilbert. Death: William A. Dyer.

60 years ago: Margaret P. Baker was elected Town Clerk at the Bethel annual Town Meeting.

Larry's Army and Navy Surplus Store moved to Ridlonville. The store had been located in the small store next to the Bethel Red & White for about one year.

Five hundred ten ballots were cast at the Bethel Town Meeting for election of offi-

Death: Mark A. Lapham. 70 years ago: The Garden Club of Bethel held its first meeting of the season at the Students' Home.

Officers of the Bethel Band were President: Arthur Dudley; Vice President, Jesse Doyen; Secretary and Treasurer; Ralph Young.

A snowfall of about 30 inches, reported to be the worst late winter storm in more than 70 years, hampered traffic considerably. Many side roads were impassable for a time.

Deaths: Frank J. Russell, Mrs. Johanna Pulkkinen, Mrs. Roscoe Swan.

100 years ago: At the recent Town Meeting, Bethel voters approved \$5,000 for roads and bridges, \$2,000 for common schools, \$200 for school textbooks, \$250 for school repairs, and \$1,500 for support of the poor.

<u>Briefly</u>

Del Duca top ski race qualifier

BETHEL Telstar High School alpine skier Frankie Del Duca won the number-one spot on Maine's 12-member boys' alpine ski team, which will compete in the New England High School Championships at Franconia, New Hampshire's Cannon Mountain March 13-15. Del Duca qualified on March 1 at Mt. Abram, which hosted the Maine High School Shootout. Top skiers from Classes A, B, and C competed. Other Telstar skiers who qualified to compete at the Maine Shootout, but were unable to take part, included Samantha Largess, T.J. Cowin, Morgan Lee and Peggie DePasquale.

Performing Arts project meeting

BETHEL—Bethel Performing Arts Project (BPAP) got underway last fall with a Bethel Inn Dinner Theater. This has pointed the way for a community meeting to formally organize the BPAP and look ahead to future planning. The meeting will take place Sunday, March 15 from 4 to 7 p.m. at The Funky Red Barn on Summer Street, Bethel. Area performing artists, including musicians, actors and dancers, as well as supporting artists and crafts people, including writers, set builders, and sound and lighting people, are invited. Representatives from area businesses, churches and organizations are also encouraged to attend. BPAP's goal is to enhance the local economy and sustain a creative performing arts environment. (For more information, see Ross Timberlake's Letter to the Editor, Page 2, and BPAP column, Page 11.)

NewPage shuts down

RUMFORD—The declining coated paper market has prompted NewPage Corp. to call a millwide shutdown from March 22-29, Mill spokesman Tony Lyons confirmed the shutdown Monday morning. He said most of the mill's 860 employees will be out of work. An undetermined number of salaried and hourly workers will remain on site to take care of critical matters. Local 900 Union President Matt Bean said Monday afternoon that he expects to meet with management to learn the number of employees who will remain on the job during that week. "Everybody's a little glum. It's hard for people to take this. It's very confusing," he said. Lyons said the mill is encouraging employees to use vacation time during the shutdown. Those who don't will be laid off. The layoff takes place during a permanent work force reduction that eliminated about 130 jobs. Thirty salaried employees already have left their jobs. Approximately 100 hourly employees are being let go as their replacements, who hold seniority, are trained for their jobs. Bean said 37 hourly workers have been let go as of now. The mill also has been experiencing a series of rolling layoffs rotating among paper machines. The last, for No. 15 paper machine employees, ended Feb. 28, Bean said. The 130 permanent jobs cut are the result of Miamisburg, Ohio-based NewPage's goal to cut 150,000 tons of product during the first quarter of 2009. NewPage also owns mills in Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Nova Scotia.

Keiser wins \$4.5 million contract

OXFORD—Keiser Homes of Oxford has signed a \$4.5 million deal with CTA Construction of Boston to build a 95-unit senior living center in Somerville, Mass. The company also will partner with New England Homes of Portsmouth, N.H., another modular manufacturer, according to a Keiser press release. The project, called Capen Court, is estimated to cost \$20 million and is funded by the Somerville Housing Authority. It will include 157 modules totaling more than 85,000 square feet and will connect to a recently completed assisted-living center also funded by the authority. The modules are scheduled to be delivered in June and the project is expected to be complete by April 2010, according to the press release.

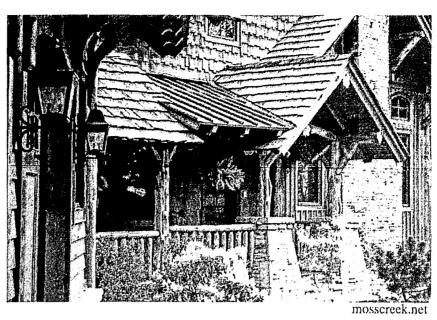
Small quake in Minot

MINOT- The U.S. Geological Survey recorded a temblor measuring 1.7 on the Richter scale early Monday morning. The small earthquake was recorded at 2:35 a.m. five miles north of Mechanic Falls, west of the Brighton Hill Road, according to coordinates provided by the agency, and was at the Earth's surface. Dispatchers at the Oxford County Regional Communications Center in Paris and the Androscoggin County Sheriff's Department said there were no calls from anyone reporting a tremor.

Bad winter for deer

AUGUSTA— The winter of 2008 was one of the worst winters for Maine's deer population across the state. Preliminary harvest numbers of 21,062 deer represent a 27 percent decrease in harvest from 2007 and the lowest deer harvest since the beginning of the any-deer permit system in 1986. The long winter, with record-setting snow packs, created extremely difficult conditions for deer, with deer yarded up on average for over 140 days statewide compared to the normal 84 days, according to Lee Kantar, deer and moose biologist for the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. During those additional 56 days resulted in extremely low overwinter survival rates for fawns, and left adult does in poor condition prior to fawning season. The poor condition of the adult does likely resulted in a high rate of mortality for the fawns born in 2008. This was evident in the dramatic decline in the fawn harvest (45 percent) as part of the total antierless harvest. Fawns were just not available during the fall hunting season. The deer harvest by season showed an overall drop in success rates across most methods. Youth hunters harvested 510 deer, down 52 percent from 1,065 in 2007 (the second best youth harvest day ever); October archers harvested 834 deer and expanded archers harvested 921. Last year's archery total was 2,236. October archery was up 18 percent despite new restrictions on October archers in bucks-only Wildlife Management Districts. Blackpowder enthusiasts harvested 1,137 deer - a 42 percent decrease from a record-setting harvest of 1,964 deer in 2007. Modern firearms users harvested 17,652, down 25% from 23,537 in 2007. More deer (2,340) were harvested in Penobscot County again this year than any other county. Other counties with more than 2,000 deer harvested were Kennebec (2,062), York (2,108) and Cumberland (2,000). Maine residents accounted for 91 percent of the total statewide deer harvest with Piscataquis County having the highest harvest by non-residents (26 percent) of all counties. Most counties (10 out of 16) had a deer harvest by residents greater than 90 percent. Hunters killed 13,566 adult bucks and 7,496 antierless deer. The adult buck kill was a 16 percent decrease over the previous year while the antierless kill was down 41 percent from 2007. Yearlings were more scarce than normal in 2008. This is because as fawns in 2007 they suffered high losses over the 2007-08 winter. Yearlings normally make up a higher percentage of the buck kill. In 2007, the statewide yearling harvest of bucks comprised 49 percent of the yearling and older buck harvest, while in 2008 it represented only 37 percent. "The harsh winter of 2007-08 and its effects on Maine's deer herd will be felt for a long time," according to Kantar. "The current winter of 2008-09 so far looks very similar to last year and will exert additional pressure on the state's deer herd. If this winter results in conditions similar to last year, we will need to brace ourselves for a further decrease in any-deer permits as well as a reduced harvest in 2009. A reduction in any-deer permits is needed in order to compensate for an expected high rate of winter mortality."

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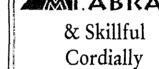
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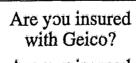
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Letters

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JOIN THE GYM

To the Editor:

We are members of Ellie's Gym here in Bethel, and we are writing to express our thanks to the owner, Ellie Andrews, for providing us with a place to exercise, and also to encourage everyone to come check out the gym and consider joining.

Ellie's Gym welcomes men and women and has equipment to fit everyone's fitness level and goals. The gym has all of the big cardio equipment, including treadmills, ellipticals, rowing, bicycles, and stair-stepper, as well as the smaller equipment such as steps and trampoline and lots of other choices. Strength training is covered with a circuit of hydraulic machines to work all the muscle groups, including your core. For the weight lifters there are free weights and a variety of benches. There is also a place for mat work. Ellie keeps things interesting and new by providing us with the latest exercise equipment. If you've seen it advertised and have been curious about it, Ellie probably has it waiting for you. The sauna is available to warm and relax you during a busy day.

One of the best things about Ellie's Gym is that it doesn't matter what age or fitness level you are, everyone is welcome and can improve or maintain their health at their own pace. The equipment is easy to use and is adjustable to your needs. Gym members include people of all walks of life, with fitness goals ranging from low-intensity regular exercise to athletic training.

Ellie Andrews opened her gym in 2005 and was honored as Business of the Year by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce in 2007. It's easy to see why. Ellie's Gym is a part of the community in many ways because Ellie is active in so many aspects of community life, including Rotary and other groups. She is always willing to lend support to others with contributions to fundraisers, and over the years has maintained collections for our troops, school groups, sports teams, March of Dimes, local families, and many others in need. In addition to her regular members, she has welcomed people in physical therapy programs, visiting athletes such as the World Cup snowboarders, young people training for military service, Telstar High School students needing extra exercise space, and others. She has provided employment for many local folks including our area's young people saving for college. We feel fortunate that Ellie's community-minded efforts include providing convenient affordable exercise opportunities for all.

The gym is located above the Casablanca Cinema in Bethel and is open seven days a week with extended and flexible hours. Membership is \$25 per month for unlimited use (sauna extra), with drop-in rates available as well. Teens are welcomed at no charge.

Come check out Ellie's Gym. It's a great time to get out of the house, get moving, change up your exercise routine, and get ready for summer, Call the gym at 824-3539 for more information.

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West Paris

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Those figures will not be known until later this spring because school and county budget runs from July 1 to June 30 while the town runs on a calendar year from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.

the budget's bottom line once it becomes known was also approved.

The town will use \$579,176 from revenue sharing and other accounts to do that.

Selectmen Chairman Wade An article pledging to cut Rainey, Water District Board

Member Philip Edmunds were re-elected and Wendy Newmeyer was elected to the SAD17 board.

The meeting was moderated by Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield.

News and photos from clubs and organizations

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person. Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109. Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

Returns: Due to the volume of material passing through our office, we regret that we can not be responsible for unsolicited submissions.



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

When snow came early this winter I didn't say anything about it. When we had a white Christmas I thought that was nice, but didn't say much. I even bit my tongue when two feet of snow landed in my driveway a couple of weeks ago.

Now I have a few words to say about this winter... I hate it, I hate it, I really hate it! I've had enough of snow, sleet, freezing rain, north winds and arctic temperatures. I'm sick and tired of slipping and sliding, cleaning my car off, shoveling, winter coats and oil bills.

And here's the kicker of it all...there's not a darn thing I can do about it short of moving away to a warmer climate, which I'm certainly not going to do.

However, I feel better for having the opportunity to vent. I hope those of you who are not winter people vented right along with me.

Now that we have that out of the way it's time to think positive. So far, we have had about 25 inches less snow than last year at this time. And, in spite of recent storms it has been spaced out a little better than last year. Now, doesn't that make you feel better?

Okay, so you're not in any better frame of mind about winter. So, how about the price of oil? Last year at this time it was well over \$4.00 a gallon with speculation that it would go as

high as \$5.00 a gallon. Now it's around \$2.00 a gallon. Doesn't that brighten your spirits a bit? Probably not if you locked into a high price though, huh?

Here's a positive thought; spring, at least according to the calendar is only a couple of weeks away. That means warmer temperatures are coming and we have actually experienced a few nice days recently. And with the new time change there will be more

Now I have a few words to say about this winter...

hours of daylight and fewer snowstorms. That thought should make you happy.

Still stuck in the winter doldrums? Yeah, me too. No matter how positive I try to be about the way things are, I just can't help but feel with every predicted snow day...I hate it, I hate it, I really hate it!

Sorry, I didn't mean to backslide. I really am trying to be more positive and hopefully help other winter haters feel more positive

I think I need to try a different thought process here. Though Old Man Winter can be a cranky and nasty old man he does do some good things. Hard to embrace, I know.

But, just think, when Old Man Winter is dumping snow on us and blowing cold air through the cracks in our houses he is at least keeping the black flies and mosquitoes out of our hair. How's that for positive thinking?

Well here's another positive thought. When the ground is frozen and covered with snow no one has to spend any time weeding their gardens, mowing their lawns or watering their flowerbeds. Oh, I know those chores are replaced by shoveling, sanding and scraping windshields, but it still has to make you feel a little better that you don't have to weed or fire up the lawn mower.

And keep in mind that it's not so hot you can fry an egg on the sidewalk. Remember those times when it was so hot and humid that you couldn't sleep and you felt like a wrung out dishrag? Not to mention that no one gets chaffed thighs from shoveling snow.

Are you feeling any better about winter now? At least I have tried to make myself and you other winter haters feel a little more positive about the circumstances that we can't change.

Sadly, I don't think it has worked, at least not for me. Because, when it comes to being positive about winter, the way I see it, I positively hate it, hate it, really hate it!

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there partying, about five feet off the lakefront.

"It's public access. I checked with IF&W and they said it's perfectly legal, so we're going to go down and have a camp on the water, right in front of

"All right? You just let me know what favorite color boat you want me to buy and I'm going to buy it for you.

"Have a nice day, I look forward to the challenge.'

'Whitecaps'

If the plot line sounds familiar to some of our readers, they are probably fans of the HBO series shaped around the New Jersey doings of noneck boss Tony Soprano.

fourth season (2002) is entitled "Whitecaps," named for a New Jersey shorefront home on which Soprano has put a

\$200,000 deposit. But with his marriage beginning to crumble, Tony has a change of heart and wants out of the deal.

And he wants his deposit returned.

But the property's owner (an attorney who lives in the house next door) balks — "a deposit is a deposit," he tells Tony.

Shortly afterward, the attorney and his wife are reading in bed one evening, when they hear from outside the

The final episode of the blaring voice of Dean Martin, extolling the charms of Las Vegas.

The voice, a recording, comes from large speakers mounted on the deck of Soprano's boat, "Stugats."

When the attorney calls Soprano to protest, he is told to expect more.

"My family has parties 'til four or five in the morning," Soprano tells him.

The attorney eventually caves, and returns the deposit. But Brainard and Hamilton say they will continue in their efforts to see that Greenwood town voters have the final say on just what laws their town is operated by.

Petition

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Sparks said.

But at a public hearing last month, the ordinance came under sharp fire from critics (generally non-residents of Greenwood) for having several possible negative adverse impacts on property owners, and for being cobbled from vague and contradictory language.

But following that meeting, Sparks said, she still believed the proposal would still go to voters, if the Planning Board thought it was ready for such a vote.

She said she expected the Board of Selectmen (who make the decision on what articles go to town meeting) to put off any vote on the ordinance until after the Planning Board's March 10 meeting.

And if the planners still wanted the ordinance to go to the voters this month, Sparks

said, she expected the selectmen would agree, and put it

on the warrant. But that's not how events

played out. At the selectmen's regular meeting last week, more than a half dozen critics turned out again to assail the ordinance, and after listening for more than an hour the selectmen voted 3-0 not to put it to town meeting voters.

Board chair Loretta Mikols said the ordinance was obviously in need of further work, and she believed the critics who turned out last week and at the earlier public hearing appeared willing to work with the Planning Board to refine the document.

But Brainard pointed out that none of the critics had bothered to turn up for meetings and workshops as the document was being drafted; and, he said, all the planners' work would have been a waste of time if the ordinance did not go to town meeting

He and Hamilton both said that despite its possible imperfections (which could be remedied over time) the ordinance needs to go to voters now, especially if it is to protect the town from unsightly ridgeline and hillside construction.

They expressed confidence they could quickly gather the 31 signatures needed to see the ordinance is put to town meeting voters two weeks from Saturday.

A letter on the matter from Hamilton can be found on Page 2.

If the ordinance does end up on the town meeting warrant, The Citizen will look more closely at the specific criticisms that have been raised against

Drugs

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Wing said police seized 21/2 pounds of marijuana plants that were nearly ready to harvest.

The cocaine is being analyzed at the Maine State Police Crime Lab in Augusta.

Allen DeSatnick, who has been hospitalized in Massachusetts, was unaware of the

pot, Wing said.

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but he won't return my phone calls. Maybe someone knows where he is and will call me," Wing said.

Wing said anyone with information on Greg DeSatnick's whereabouts can call him via the State Police barracks in Gray at (800) 228-

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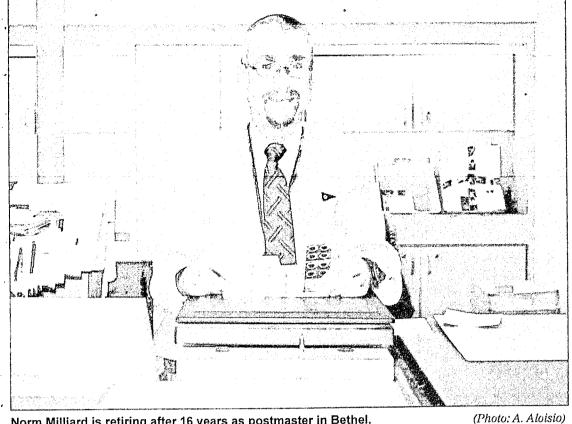
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Postmaster

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Norm Milliard is retiring after 16 years as postmaster in Bethel.

build a new, larger Bethel Post Office at the growing Bethel Station ignited a controversy. Residents wanted to keep

the office on Main Street. Eventually, a plan was conceived to expand on-site into another part of the building.

After working out of temporary quarters at the Casablanca building, the staff reopened the Main Street office in 1999.

"It was the very best thing to do for us to stay where we are," said Norm. "It made it more cohesive for the community.

A social network

A post office, after all, plays a larger role than simply handling mail. It also serves a social purpose.

"It's a web by which people stay in touch, through the small, simple act of meeting in the Post Office," Norm said.

"People share their stories, good and bad, about their families, their health. In an amazing electronic age, people still stay connected in other ways."

The social web also extends to rural mailbox routes, where carriers watch out for the well-being of residents, he

"If mail piles up in a rural box, the carrier gets concerned, and we'll try to call, or call relatives," Norm said. "We look out for the people we

And during severe weather, he said, keeping the post office operating and mail deliveries coming provide consistency.

During the Ice Storm of '98, the office remained open, while Norm, like many other residents, went without electrical power for days at home.

"The flag still has to go up, and the window has to open," Norm and the Post Of-

fice have also weathered the changes brought by electronic communications. While e-mail has replaced

some forms of hard-copy mail, the new ways of getting information have also aided the postal service. The amount of internal hard

copy in the office has declined. customers may do postal business online and the Postal Service is better able to track packages, he said.

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Adopting an ordinance, said Pew, would protect employees, by requiring the town to pay them benefits as well as honor other stipulations.

"A couple of times at past town meetings, there has been discussion about raising zero money for insurance,"

said Pew. current policy is inconsistent, with various copies of it contain conflict-

ing information. An ordinance, he said, would provide consisten-

As for its content, the ordinance would change the current 100 percent health insurance coverage provided for full- and part-time employees to 80 percent for current and future full-time employees (working 35 or more hours a week) and 70 percent for current and future part-time (working 20 hours or more).

Those working less than 20 hours a week would not be eligible for benefits.

Also changing would be a current provision to pay employees not receiving insurance through the town an annual cash payment "in lieu." Currently, the amount for such employees totals approximately \$6,400 each.

Future cash payments in lieu would be limited to \$2,000.

In calculating the annual costs to the town for existing employees, Pew said, the new plan would save between \$10,400 and \$16,200.

Employee plan The employee committee is

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proposing that the policy form remain in place, allowing selectmen the power to change

They also propose that current employees retain their existing 100 percent coverage amount. But that money

'In 2004, the town voted to give part-He also said that the time employees benefits. I was against

it ... but I believe the town needs to honor that commitment they made to those employees.'

WAYNE DELANO

figure would be capped, and employees would then pay 50 percent of future premium increases.

Employees currently receiving cash in lieu of benefits would continue to receive it. For future full-time employees, the town would pay 80

percent of the health benefits. For future part-timers, the town would pay 50 percent, according to the plan. There would be no cash in

lieu for any new employees.

Wayne Delano said the current employees' benefits should be grandfathered.

"In 2004, the town voted to give part-time employees benefits. I was against it ... but I believe the town needs to honor that commitment they

made to those employees," he He said the employees have also said they would forego the typical 3

percent annual wage increase this year. The changes, said Delano, would save the

town between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

But Freeman Farrington said Andover should consider the larger economic picture. Other towns are lay ing off employees, he said. He praised the committee's

work, but said, "I also personally think that maybe [the citizen committee] should have made a few more cuts."

Some at the hearing applauded.

Other topics addressed under both plans include vacation and sick time. Copies of the proposed plans are available at the town office.



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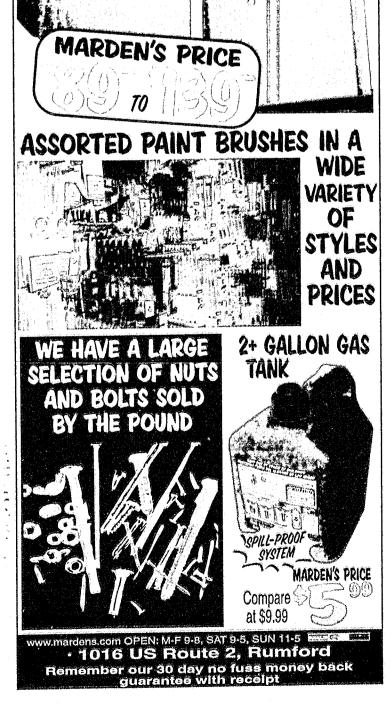
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From the Bethel Police Log:

Wednesday, March 11

At 6:06 a.m. Chief Alan Carr received a report of a missing person who had not arrived at work. Another officer near that location checked the place of employment, and found the subject had arrived.

Sunday, March 8

At 12:10 a.m. Officer Jeff Campbell responded to the Gore Rd. in Woodstock to assist state police with a party involving underage drinking.

At 2:26 p.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to the Chapman Rd. with Bethel Rescue for a medical call.

At 4:54 p.m. Officer Jason G. Goff responded with Bethel Rescue to Paradise Rd. for a medical call.

(Time not available) Officer Crystal Aylward warned a subject on Mayville Rd. for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Saturday, March 7

At 10:45 a.m. Officer Jack Taylor served a subject a summons for negotiating a worthless document.

At 12:59 a.m. on the Grover Hill Road Officer Jeff Campbell arrested Nicholas M. Sumner, 18 and Andrew J. Buck, 19 for criminal trespass.

Thursday, March 5

At 9:22 p.m. on the West Bethel Rd. Officer Jeff Campbell arrested David M. Montieth Jr., 22, for operating after suspension, possession of a scheduled drug, and possession of a useable amount of marijuana.

Tuesday, March 3

At 7:36 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to Route 2 for a telephone harassment complaint.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists cases reported in the log of adults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of police activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

March 8, 3 a.m.: Zachary M. Gallant, 20, of Woodstock, furnishing liquor to minors, furnishing a place for a minor to consume; by Trooper Paul Casey in Woodstock.

March 7, 4:28 a.m.: Andrew J. Buck, 19, of Albany, criminal mischief, furnishing liquor to a minor; by Trooper Paul Casey in Bethel.

March 7, 1:38 a.m.: Nicholas M. Sumner, 18, of Bethel, criminal trespass, furnishing liquor to a minor; by Trooper Paul Casey in Bethel.

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The March winds blew in a touch of spring on Saturday. The sun emerged

strong and bright, the temperatures soared to the high 40s (almost balmy!), and Mike sat in a sheltered corner of the deck and soaked up some rays. On the downside, our neighbors, the Inmans, tried to walk their dogs on the pipeline, but the snow was already too mushy, and feet sank in too deep for walking.

The snow continues to slide off the metal roof with a lot of noise, always a bit startling. It also means more shoveling of the deposits on walks and paths. The turkeys are enjoying the cracked corn in the back yard and getting bigger every day. The big tom is starting to ruffle his feathers and spread his tail a bit, and his neck and wattle get redder every day.

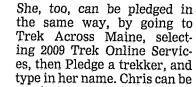
We know that winter is not yet over, but an occasional reminder of warmth to come is always welcome. Clocks sprang ahead this past weekend, and I'm still catching up on that lost hour of sleep.

Two of our West Bethel neighbors, Christine Trefethen and Karen Paul, will be participating in the 2009 Trek Across Maine, a fundraiser for the American Lung Association that will take place June 19-21, 2009. This note came from Karen:

"I've been inspired to join a Trekking team, bike across the state, and raise money for the American Lung Association. The ride is on Father's Day Weekend. Anyone want to join my team? Send me a line and please consider making a donation and pledge me. It's easy... go to the Trek Across Maine site, select 2009 Trek Online services then select Pledge a trekker, you'll type in my name and go from there. Any small donation is very welcome. Thanks for your love and support!"

For further information you

can call Karen at 836-2266. Chris has been doing the trek for a number of years.



reached at 836-2164. The Gould ninth graders returned from China in the wee hours of Wednesday morning last week. I heard that Helen Cooper de-briefed non-stop from 2:30 a.m. to 7 a.m. before she crashed. Our granddaughter, Molly Siegel, was too pooped to pop after traveling around the clock, and she went straight to bed, waking finally about 3 p.m. Her cousin, Nick Schwarz, also put in a lot of mattress time before fully emerging back into the real

We dined with the Siegels on Thursday evening and were treated to Molly's slide show. She answered a myriad of questions from all of us and showed us the many souvenirs she brought back. What a wonderful experience these youngsters had! Their home stays were very successful, as were all their dining and sightseeing in Beijing.

I have very sad news to impart. Our good neighbor, Joe Gable, passed away peacefully last Friday night after a period of ill health. Joe was a real Southern gentleman, always smiling and friendly, even in illness. He leaves his wife, his daughter, and of course his many animals, which include horses, dogs, cats, and birds, among others. Joe will be remembered for his gentle grace, his caring nature, and his joy of living. We will miss him greatly, and we offer our sincere condolences to Joan, to their daughter, Amanda, and to other family and friends.

Enjoy the balmy days and savor the snow bonuses (as long as the snow comes in inches and not feet!). Remember that snow is poor man's fertilizer. so don't curse it too much. I admit, though, that I'm ready for winter to fade away. Stay



Nancy Mercer Alder River Grange will meet on March 13 at Lynn Mason-

home in Sudbury Village, Apt. 1 with a 6 p.m. potluck supper and the meeting at 7 p.m.

No human news tonight. There are still six deer coming in the evening to feed. Once in a while there will be four young ones in the morning to eat with the turkeys. There

She, too, can be pledged in are also 40 turkeys hanging around and eating everything in sight. The small birds no longer come except to the balcony where two cats sit and watch.

Spring is just around the corner, but this past weekend the snow has really gone.

If you have any news, give me a ring at 824-3350, God Bless the Troops.

Gilead



Lin Chapman It always takes some time getting used to the time change,

but having it light later at night is a plus as

far as I go.

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped by this past weekend and reminded me that Brad's birthday was on March 11. Happy Birthday, Brad.

Lise McLain and her father. Gerard Dupont, headed for Gorham, N.H., this past week. Gerard had a check-up with his doctor and they stopped to do some shopping and have lunch at Mr. Pizza.

I got an e-mail from Norm Buttrick and he sent a picture of his dog, Gilead, and Ĉathy's dog, Gracie. The picture was published in the Down East Dog News and showed them out in the snow walking on a trail. It is nice to know that there are some famous Gilead Mary Tyler called last week

to let me know that she had finished scanning and working with some old pictures that we had found when the old house was being torn down. She also mentioned that she and Sandra noticed that the skunks are out now that there is some nice weather. I believe they knew it was there by the smell before they saw it.

Town Office A couple of weeks ago, I

mentioned in the column that I would be glad to put in information about anyone who wanted to run for any town officer positions that were going to be voted on at Town Meeting on March 28. So far, I have heard from one person who is interested in the 3-year selectmen's position. I received the following e-mail from Fran Head. "I will be seeking the position of selectperson for the town of Gilead. If anyone would like to discuss my qualifications or how I stand on issues please feel free to give me a call at 207-650-1351. Frances M. Head"

Other positions, besides the office of the selectmen, open are the Town Clerk, Treasurer,

Tax Collector, Highway Commissioner, and a member of the school board. Those currently holding positions are Mark Wigley, Selectman, Linsley Chapman as Town Clerk and Treasurer, Beverley Corriveau as Tax Collector, Fred Corriveau as Highway Commissioner, and Becky Morin as a school board member.

It is my intention to seek the offices of Town Clerk and Treasurer again this year. I have held the office of the Treasurer since 1976 and Town Clerk since 2000 (after serving as Deputy Clerk for many years when Mildred McLain was Town Clerk).

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail. com.

Upton



Laurie Brown The skat-

ing party on March 13, beginning at 5:30 p.m. will

be awesome! It's open to the public and it's free of charge! Skate under the lights! Cook hotdogs and s'mores! Stay warm and enjoy the scenery and camaraderie. Kids need to bring adults with them! It's on Barnes Road at Charlie Felt's and Carol Norman's home. Hotdogs and drinks provided by the Ladies Aid Association.

I just love the feedback from my column. Thanks. And, I love the results when I plead to the readers in behalf of the Ladies Aid! Delores Williams of North Road, Bethel, has donated a refrigerator to our organization! Thanks, Delores.

Now we're in need of a stove and/or microwave that works well - maybe no longer fits your décor? Call Leslie Aron at 533-2481 if you have an appliance to sell us. Thanks.

Is March 19 marked on your calendar? It's Town Meeting at the school house at 7 p.m.

Richard Pinette, author of "Northwoods Heritage," was a friend of my mother (which has no point in this sentence except it popped into my head). Pinette gave an interesting account of folks trying to live and farm in the 1860s in Grafton. On page 18 of his book is a picture of the saw mill on top of Screw Auger Falls. Although I see no water in that picture of the falls. there's a good likeness of the

In 1948, according to the 1949 Town Report, the Selectmen. F. Judkins, W.E. Hicks, and Malcolm Barnett, adopted a card system that mod-



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children's friends and rela-

tives for many years. The

Webb's who regularly have a

house full of guests and rela-

tives recently became emp-

ty nesters and found them-

selves delightfully alone.

Dave and Ann enjoyed all the

amenities that the Sunday

River Ski area has to offer.

and enjoyed this school vaca-

tion week as a second honey-

This past week Kevin was

here with two brothers,

who are lifetime friends of

his, Bruce and Gary Childs.

Rounding out the group was

Costa Andreadis all from

Cape Cod. They enjoyed the

snowmobile trails this week

and left for home Saturday.

moon.

ernized the valuation method for land and buildings. For them it took the guess out of valuation and made it "nearly uniform and just." Hopefully, we're not still using that method that was established even before I was! In the same report, selectmen noted that considerable work had been done on Back Street, but it was still impassable, even to wagons, in the spring.s

My sister, Melanie, was recently remembering that the family moved in with our grandparents in the village for several years, a few weeks each spring. Guess that'd be why, eh?

The Easter Son Rise service will be at Jim and Wilma Rector's. I don't know the time yet, but it'll be early! I don't know yet who'll be conducting the service, but I'll know by next week's writing. Following the son rise service, the Ladies Aid will be serving breakfast at their building. There will be lots of good food! Actually, it'll be, great food, and the building will be warm! Come, enjoy breakfast whether you can attend the son rise service or not.

There will be a planning board meeting on March 27. Got any news? Call me at 533-2111. Have a great week. Selah.

Andover



by Melinda Averill What a beautiful

weekend we had. Doug and Kelsey, and

friend Ed Palmer from Rumford went to Kezar Lake ice fishing on Saturday. There was a statewide ice derby going on for the weekend at any lake in the state. Grand prize was a new pickup truck — guess they didn't win that! Kelsey caught a nice fivepound bass, along with some pickerel. On Monday they were fried up.

Visitors at Eda Perkins last week was her granddaughter, Sheryl Hoisington and her two sons, Kyle and Nik, from Epsom, N.H. They came to help celebrate Eda's birthday, as New Hampshire

schools were on February vacation.

Happy birthday wishes this week to young Noah McCurdy on Sunday, the 15th; Jennalee Putnam on the 16th; Ricky Kneeland on the 18th; and Elek Pew on the 18th.

Happenings at last week's Selectmen's meeting, Tuesday, March 3, there was some discussion as to whether the town may have funds available to it from the state (which it received as stimulus money from the government). Certain agencies in the state are dispersing the monies. Water district Trustee Scot Owings reported that four hydrants were put back in working order that week.

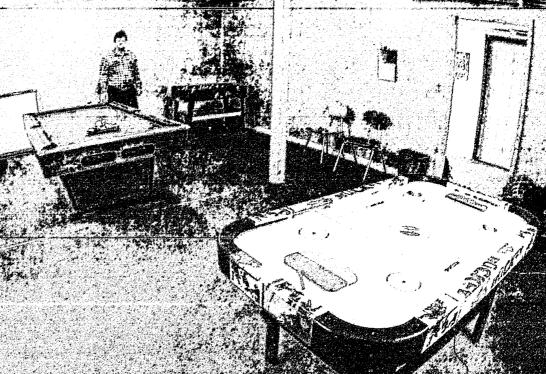
Also from the water district: this year the Federal Stimulus has tons of money for local water district improvement projects, but Roger Crouse at Maine State Drinking Water Program is not willing to consider Andover for any of those

Please, if you are served by Andover Water District (AWD) call Roger Crouse at (207) 287-5684 and leave him a polite message asking why. Andover Water customers are paying for the stimulus as taxpayers, why are we not receiving funds?

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Also, call Susan Collins' office in Lewiston, Maine and leave the same message. Only your calls to Senator Collins and Roger will improve your system now. We have waited a long time, why are we not receiving funds to improve our water system? Senator Collins number is (207) 784-6969, and leave a message!

Next Saturday is Town Meeting -- don't forget 9 a.m. sharp! Also, on Tuesday evening, March 24, we will be voting to fill the following positions: town clerk, tax collector, treasurer, road commissioner, and fire chief. This year is the first time in a long time we as taxpayers have had a choice for the office of clerk, tax collector, fire chief and treasurer.



A PLACE FOR THE KIDS ON CHURCH STREET—A Youth Center is now open in the basement of the Nazarene Church on Church Street in Bethel. Open Wednesday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m., it offers a pool table, air hockey and Foosball. "We wanted a safe place for kids to come and hang out," said Pastor Chuck Mason. "A lot of them live within walking distance of the church." The entrance is through the rear door. Mason hopes to add a ping pong table and perhaps other equipment in the future. Plans are underway for a spring and fall public supper to raise funds to support the additions. For more information call Mason at 875-6008. In the long term, the Nazarene congregation plans to build a new, 6,000 square-foot church on Route 26 in Bethel. The new building is expected to offer a number of activity rooms and be open to the community.

Andrea Bretz Savitz, president of Andover Service Circle (ASC), is eager to report that the circle will be holding its first fundraiser of the year on March 21, the Saturday of the Andover Town Meeting, on the first floor of Andover Town Hall. At a time coordinated with the luncheon break from Town Meeting, people will be able to feast for a modest donation on homemade soups, chilies, chowders, stews, rolls, muffins and desserts. As always, all monies collected by ASC will be put to good use for the benefit of Andover residents through charitable giving.



Sylvia Harrington

The letter to the editor in The Citizen by Sara P. Wright of Greenwood

impressed me. I am in process of writing to Senator Bruce Bryant regarding the inhumane treatment of bears and their cubs at a very significant time in their lives. This LD241 bill addresses an issue that is crucial. I have had harassments by bears, but there is a right and wrong way, and time to delete the over population of bears; and it is not when they are feeding and caring for their newborn.

Kevin, Lynn and Joseph Barry were up snowmobiling with their friends from Cape Cod, Rich Celeste and his daughter, Kristen. They all enjoyed the outstanding condition of the local trails that are maintained by the Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club. Kevin and Lynn also had occasion to visit with their friends, Dave and Ann Webb of Nantucket, Mass. Dave and Ann were staying at their family homestead just up from the covered

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On Saturday, the WVSC was well represented at the cookout sponsored by the State Line Snowmobile Club of Upton. The cookout was at the sugar shack on Rapid River. The only way participants could get to the shack was by snowmobile. Next Saturday, the 14th, at Roxbury, the first ever Help-

ing Hands of Roxbury will host a 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. snowmobile event. It will start at the Ellis Pond Variety Store in Roxbury Village. The entrance fee is two cans of food or \$2. For participants



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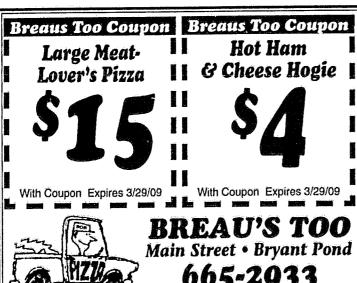
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; Sunday morning the first skunk of the season made his presence known, though I did

This past week I purchased a great pair of boots at True North Adventureware. These boots are helping me get up and down the snow-covered driveway. The ski poles I use add to my balance. The boots are waterproof and I only need one pair of socks to keep my feet warm and I don't slip unless on glare ice.

. I was unable to attend the special dinner and get-together for "Farmer" Robertson on Saturday. The restaurant was full with well-wishers and loved ones.

For news about the WVSC trails, please call Leon or Ed with any questions or with regard to the Windy Vallevs Snowmobile Club, Leon Dunn can be reached at 824-3335 and Ed Powers at 1-207-739-9618 for information.

Licenses and registrations for snowmobile and ATVs are available at the BRTP as well as applications for membership in the local WVSC.

Greenwood City



Wayne Hakala Spring must be coming. There is wa-

ter on the ponds, water running down the roadsides, snow piles dropping and there is just a bit of sap running. Am I anxious, Oh

Brother is counting down the days to open water fishin'. The sides of the drive-

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way are muddy and some road pavement breaking up. Plus the usual frost heaves in the Legion parking lot.

been refreshing to It's have several individuals say "Thank You" for talking about the disrespect to our flag. I do appreciate comments I've heard. I would hope to see more respect paid in the fu-

I've tapped a few trees, as the devil made me do it. My usual early runners started with a big splash. Got to finish the tapping and get the firebox set and move some wood nearby for the easy access. Told brother we could sit, feed the fire, burn a red dog and think about drinking a beer. But we would both get knee walking just thinking about it.

As a reminder, there is Uncle Ivan Morey's birthday party the 14th at the Legion Post on the Gore Road. Doors will be opening at 1 p.m. until at least five p.m. Cake and an assortment of munchies will be served. Background music will be provided by the "Old Crows," which will consist of oldies and maybe a request or two for some period dance tunes. I'm sure all will be enjoying and especially Uncle Ivan. Cindy has provided a journal for friends and family to jot down some favorite memories. Let's keep Uncle Ivan busy for a long time opening cards. Please, no presents. Your attendance is the greatest gift Uncle could have. Susan, Cindy and Kathy will be present for this party. So come on out and join the festivities.

The Legion was well used again this weekend. We had a Church Youth Group stay over until Sunday afternoon. They enjoyed the skiing at Mt. Abram and program on Saturday evening. I stopped in Saturday eve and all were having a good time. And of course they left the hall in better

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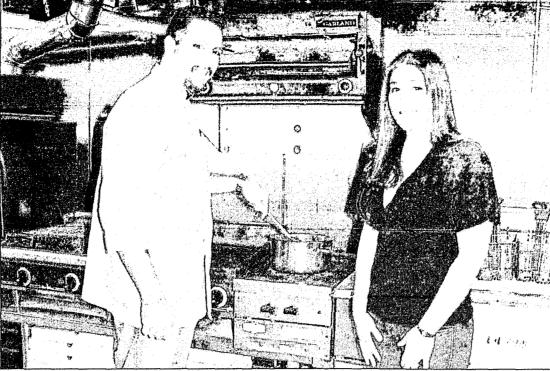
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Jonathan and Jeanine Amann recently joined the restaurant staff at 22 Broad Street in Bethel. Jonathan, a chef with 17 years of experience, is a graduate of Johnson and Wales Culinary School. He worked in restaurants in Pennsylvania, where he gained experience in fine dining and Italian, French and Asian cuisine. Jonathan plans some changes in the entree and dessert menu at 22 Broad Street, but the classic Italian theme will remain. "We plan to liven it up a bit," he said. Specials will be offered every day, and the wine list will be expanded. Jeanine, who will be a bartender and server, also has restaurant management experience. (824-3496)

shape than when they arrived. It is good that we can provide this to the youth and knowing that they are going to be the leaders of tomorrow.

On March 19, Post 68 and Unit 68 will be celebrating the Legion Birthday. There will be a dinner at 6 p.m. with a short program to follow. Dinner will have chicken and dumplings along with chili by "Rookie." Cake and ice cream to follow. There will be four "Fifty Year" certificates presented as part of the program. Peter Rosenberg, Kendric Scribner, Linwood Newell Jr. and Irving Brown are the recipients of this milestone in Legion membership. Hope to see all members and families for this occa-

Until next week, "Keep smiling and keep people wondering what you are up to."

East Andover Stinson-Carney

Happy Belated Birthday greetings to East Andover resident Betty

Moore.

Hope and Victor Peterson spent last weekend in Massachusetts -- lucky them! They had a fun time visiting with

family and friends. This Sunday I get to meet my new daughter-in-law's mother. I will admit I'm a little nervous especially since my daughter-in-law had a dream that I threw a salt shaker at her mother. So, no salt or pepper shakers will be allowed on the table. I want to thank my brother Perry who is hosting

my Aunt Lorena Simmons who is letting us borrow her car, my sister Donna Gagne for cooking, and my mother Marjorie Stinson for her positive back-up.

Friday the 13th? Weird huh?

for a very long time.

1) You know that Andover is just a suburb of East Ando-

2) You learned to swim in the dam mill at Lester Far-

many May Baskets.

Did you realize that for two

months in a row we have a I have a new grand nephew.

Max Stinson Henry, son of Rachel and Jeff Henry, was born in Vermont on March 2. It's a little bitter sweet because that was the 8th anniversary of my father's death. Max weighed in at a healthy 8 pounds, 13 ounces. His big brother, Sam, is really handling it well. He won't let anybody but him

Ten ways you know that you have lived in East Andover

rington's lumber mill. 3) You helped hang many,

4. You attended many corn

roasts in the gravel pit. Rule number 1, you had to steal the steal the corn first.

5) You could go to the Post Office at Mrs. Crooker's and while you waited for the mail to be sorted you could get a bottle of soda and a package of potato chips for only a

6) Farmer's Hill wasn't a tarred road.

7) Vivian Barlow taught you your ABCs and how to

8) You didn't have a T.V. you listened to Red Sox games on the radio.

9) If you were a girl you couldn't wear slacks to school.

10) You didn't know that you weren't supposed to pick Lady Slippers.

Bring back any memories?



by Clem Worcester

The Hanover Planning Board met on March 4 with three mem

bers in attendance. Besides Chairman Steve Pelletier and members Bob Fortin and Mike Brown, attending were Louise Jonaitis, Board Secretary Clem Worcester and Hanover Code Enforcement Officer John

Gauthier. Discussed at length was the subdivision planned in Hanover Village by Louise Jonaitis. Ultimately the Board voted to approve the pre-application presentation materials with the requirements that it be reduced from five to four lots and the proposed road be reconfigured and include a cul-de-sac at the end. A site visit has been scheduled for April 15, at 5 p.m. if the ground is bare of snow.

Trips into woods areas seem to indicate that deer may be finding the snow conditions difficult. According to one old fellow a recent excursion onto Mount Dimmock revealed no tracks other than

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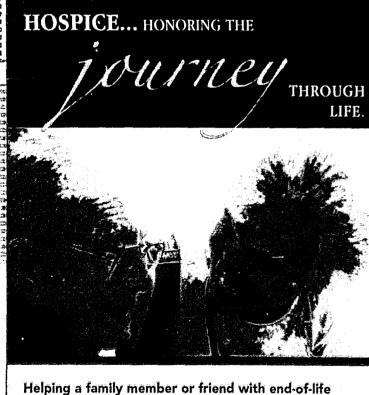
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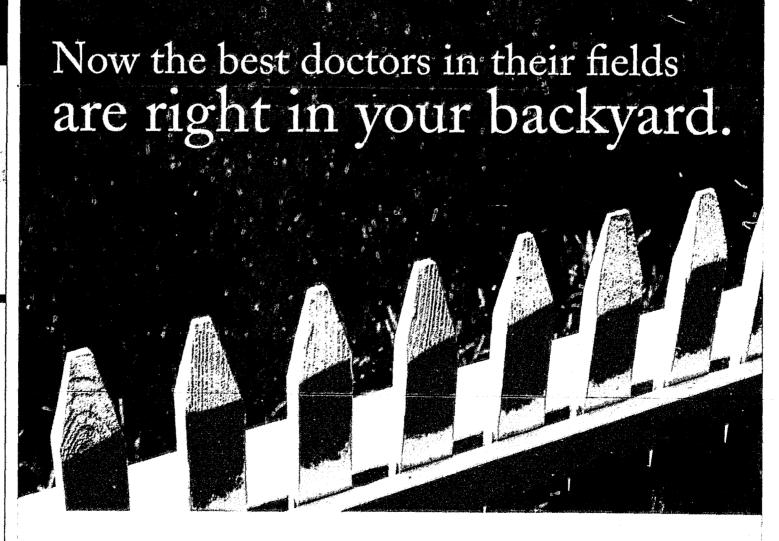
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of a \$1,400 Libri Foundation Grant to purchase children's books. Librarian Peg Susbury is seeking advice from school librarians and the Library Bee workers to make selections. Anyone with ideas should contact Peg. Dot Adams is making a photo quilt for a raffle later after the library officially opens. Spring is coming with exciting times ahead.

Another contact point for the library is a new Post Office box. Mail may be directed to: Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, PO Box 64, Hanover ME 04237.

The good old boys of Cabot Lodge Knights of Pythias of Andover slipped and slid their way to Brewer last Sunday for the John F. Burton Memorial Bowling Tournament. Cabot Team One consisting of Craig Turner, Mark Farrington, Keith Farrington, Dale McKay and Spencer Couture led in pin drops through the first four strings only to end up in fifth place after the fifth string. Cabot Team 2 consisting of Freeman Farrington, David White, Clem Worcester, and Ernie Rice did even worse. Another team from our area representing Hiawassee Lodge from Stoneham consisted of Danny, Janice, Michael, Michele, and Nancy Bennett. Much to the Cabot teams' chagrin, the Hiawassee team somehow managed to take third place behind two teams from Gouldsboro.

Everyone knows that Chris Howe likes to take pictures and he has many beautiful photos from around the area. Recently he has been researching framing and matting of pictures. With new equipment recently purchased he is able to print and frame pictures of various sizes to create attractive displays.

Brvant Pond



Alice Hoyt Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morn-

ing worship at 10:30, evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday

evening at 6:30 is prayer meeting, Friday at 6:30 is youth group. Saturday at 9 a.m. is men's Bible study. Sunday, March 22, Missionary Troy Myer will be at the evening service. On Saturday, March 28, at 10 a.m. is a Financial Seminar with Mark Elliott, "Living Debt Free the way God intended." This will be at the Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m., lunch will be provided. Sunday, March 29, is fifth Sunday with a lunch and afternoon service.

The Whitman Memorial Library's program for the month of March is today, March 12, at 2 p.m. Marty Elkin of Morrill Farm in Sumner will present the program of living history from the 1870s. She does a one-room school program from the time period. She may even have you doing penmanship with a quill pen. She will also invite you to the farm for Maple Syrup Sunday.

The Woodstock High School Alumni Association is selling calendars for the month of April. If you would like one and haven't been asked, please call Mina (674-2431) or Dottie (665-2988).

Joseph Hoyt, son of James Hoyt, has gone to Costa Rica for three months with Outward Bound.

The Woodstock Extension will meet on March 18 at 1 p.m. at the Town Conference Room. Program is on Salads and a tasting party. New members always welcome.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens held their meeting at Ledgeview Memorial Home on Thursday. A delicious dinner was served and a very interesting program was presented by Ann Morton about China, a trip they had

Historical Society

The Museum has fine examples of furniture, glass, china, photos and textiles as well as tools, tins, books and musical instruments. Naturally it highlights all types of Woodstock memorabilia given by members of the community. The Historical Society is proud of its exhibits. Exhibits are the heart of any museum. Paul Billings has a video for the March program. Don't forget the potluck supper at 6 p.m. Beans are suggested. The society owns a number of videos on historic topics.



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BROWN EARNS BLACK BELT-Lance Brown, age 18, a senior at Telstar Regional High School, received his black belt in Tae Kwon Do at the Toe Tappin Jazz Dance Studio on Tuesday, March 3, under first-degree black belt instructor Anthony Jordan. Lance started Tae Kwon Do lessons at the age of 8, starting with a white belt and conquering several tests to work his way through 10 different belts before receiving his black belt. In order for Lance to receive the black belt, he had to memorize nine different forms and be tested on each one, and break six 3/4 inch pine boards stacked on top of each other with his fist in one try. Lance has taken Tae Kwon Do for 7-1/2 years, and for the past 3 years has also been an assistant instructor, helping Anthony in classes for ages 7 and up at the dance studio. Lance is the son of Levi and Deidra Brown of Bethel. Tae Kwon Do classes will start again in September.

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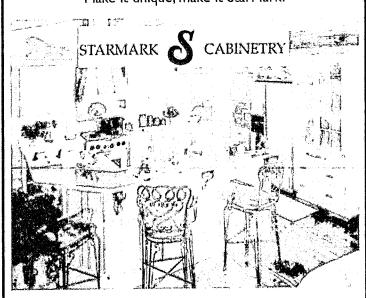
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Joyce Lamb It's 50 degrees and the snow is melting and the banks are getting shorter.

At last I can see to get out of my driveway. The predicted Sunday snowstorm only left a dusting.

On Sunday, March 15, the Rev. Bob Wolfe will be guest speaker at the 9 a.m. service at the West Paris Universalist Church. Jim Burke is the organist. All are welcome.

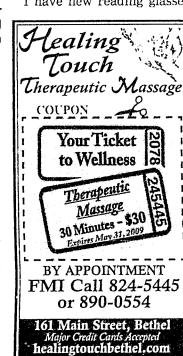
Saturday was Town Meeting held at the Agnes Gray School Gym. The gathering was small for only about 50 turned out. The 48 articles were taken care of quickly. At 11 a.m. a recess was called so all could get refreshments: red hot dogs. muffins and donuts, and cookies and coffee. Only the article to charge a fee when applying for a permit for intention to build was defeated. For years there had been a promise not to charge for this permit, so all voted to keep it that way. Taxes should remain about the same. By 12:15 all was over and we were free to enjoy the warm, sunny day outside.

When I returned home the front porch was so warm, 70 degrees, that I sat there to read my mail and had a short nap.

It is time to get seeds into soil so I will have flowers for my two window boxes at the beach.

Daughter Jude in Lamoine sent a picture of a purple violet that she had just taken outside. A few peepers are telling her spring is close.

I have new reading glasses



nose. I do not need any glass

es to drive or for distance. As usual Muffin is curled up on the desk beside me. She thinks the table is a good nap ping place too. When I scold she jumps down.

that I perch on the end of my

Watertord



by Rockie Graham Another day, another snowstorm! After rain-

Sunday on our way to work we hit snow. Hunt's Corner Road was quite dicey until we reached the town line. Once we were in Albany, we only had to worry about bad frost heaves and holes in the road, but it was sanded much better. Maybe it's the trees. In any case, once we reached the line where Bethel plowed and sanded, it was even better. When we arrived at the Transfer Station, it had been sanded well. Of course, it then began to snow and rain again. But by 10 a.m. it was over and then the sun came out for a while. The wind also started. It would be quiet one minute and then would gust badly and everything went flying. We survived!

Then Monday it was a quiet day and the trees were full of birds singing loudly. Then it started to snow, hard. The birds became fewer and few er. Maybe the birds are hoping for spring like the rest of

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three other commitments, I did not make it to Town Meeting Saturday. That's the first time since I've lived in Waterford. Since I did not reach the Town Office, I do not have the detail on what happened. My fault. I will try to do better next week. If I start today, I might actually get around to it by Monday. Since there was so little controversial, I assume everything passed, but I will have to call and find out for sure. I was headed over there on Monday when it started snowing, hard. Being a chicken I didn't make it. Then I had a meeting and then it was too late, i.e., after 5. We did make it to Sadie's birthday party and Bridget Gallagher's baby shower. David also had the car in the a.m. so I would have had to find a ride.

Good news! Saturday afternoon, after tearing up most of the carpet in the study earlier in the week, and after 61/2 weeks, I got my voice back. So it seems it was mostly just an allergic reaction, after all. I may still go to Boston to find out, but I may not. It is a long trip. In any case, we are all happy that I can talk again, above a whisper, anyway,

St. Patrick's Day is a coming next week. Not being Irish, and not drinking beer, I don't get into the green beer, etc., but I did like the mint milk shakes when I could drink them. There was a good recipe in the paper on Sunday for an Irish lamb dish with mint jelly sauce. I may try that out. We love lamb and that seemed like an especially good recipe. I even managed to find mint jelly the other day.

Next Thursday, the 19th of March, at Wilkins Community House, on Plummer Hill Road in Waterford, there will be a public supper and singing. It begins at 6 p.m. and is potluck. All are welcome. Hosts will be Charlotte and

John Huffman and Donna and Barry Patrie. People are welcome to bring a guitar or other instrument. For more information call Jane Moore at 583-

On the 28th, at the Waterford Elementary School there is a benefit for Dano Smith of Springer's store from 5:30 to 7 p.m. There will be music, games for the kids and raffles. More about it next week.

Anyone with news they would like to see included here can call me at 743-0583 or e-mail me at rockhead1@roadrunner. com.

That is all for this week. Have a great week and enjoy St. Patrick's Day.

Andover Snow Valley Sno-Goers

The first annual Family Fun Day held by the Snow Valley Sno-Goers snowmobile club was a complete success. The clubhouse, located off Route 5 in Andover, was the site of the fun time held on Saturday, Feb. 28. Children and adults alike enjoyed an afternoon of sledding, making s'mores at the bonfire, competing in a snowball toss and eating lots of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, sodas and homemade cookies. Anyone bringing a nonperishable food item for the Andover Food Pantry was treated to a free lunch.

Members of the snowmobile club, Andover citizens and local businesses volunteered time, food, money and items used in the baskets awarded as prizes, helping ensure the day's success.

The Snow Valley Sno-Goers snowmobile club wants to say a great big "Thanks" to all of you who helped make the Fun Day a really fun day, Again, thank you all so much for

helping and for being there. Our next club meeting will be held Wednesday, April 1, 7 p.m. at the clubhouse. All are invited to attend. Anyone interested in joining the club, we welcome new members.

Bryant Pond 4-H Camp

Many teens spend their February vacations sleeping in and hanging out with friends at the mall. Outdoor activities might include a trip to the local ski area, but how many would choose to head to the woods for a winter camping experience including sleeping in a snow shelter?

On President's Day weekend, fourteen intrepid Maine students ages 13-15 did just that at Bryant Pond 4-H Camp. The group is part of "Operation Military Kids," a 4-H youth development program aimed at providing healthy outdoor activities and leadership development opportunities to military kids, some of whom have a parent deployed overseas.

UMaine Cooperative Extension Educator Karen Hatch Gagne and several military and civilian volunteers teamed up with the staff of Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center to put on a series of outdoor survival courses, the latest installment of which was the winter course at the 4-H Camp.

The winter survival skills program was taught by Sgt. Rick Campbell of the Army National Guard, who volunteers his time for Operation Military Kids, and Bryant Pond's outdoor instructors. The course covered survival skills such as prevention of hypothermia, shelter and fire building, as well as winter camping skills like cooking, navigation and snowshoeing. The group spent two nights in



MILITARY KIDS ON THE MARCH—Fourteen Maine students ages 13-15 recently participated in Operation Military Kids at the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp. The program is aimed at providing healthy outdoor activities and leadership development opportunities to military kids, some of whom have a parent deployed overseas.

snow shelters at one of several remote campsites on Bryant Pond's 165-acre property. Students came from all over the state, and represented military families from all branches of the armed forces.

"Research is showing that children are currently spending less and less time outside, which is why it's so great to see kids signing up to come out here and sleep in a snowbank," said Ryder Scott, pro-

gram director at Bryant Pond. "The sense of pride they get from building a shelter and then putting their skills to the test by actually sleeping in it at 5 degrees, is incomparable," added Ryan LeShane, an instructor at Bryant Pond.

To learn more about camp programs, call 665-2068, or visit their website at www.umext. maine.edu/bryantpond.

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<u>Western</u> Mountains Senior College

"Healthy Eating on a Budget" was launched last Wednesday as Cathi DiCocoa gave an excellent presentation at the Congregational Church chapel helping us to understand

"we are what we eat," and how to protect ourselves from the "inside out." Best of all, she demonstrated with some of her favorite foods and then invited us to take generous samples. She also introduced us to the benefits of a whole protein grain, Quinoa (available at Café DiCocco and Good Foods

Cathi will give us the recipes to include in our publication along with recipes from all restaurants participating in our Healthy Eating on a Budget program. This will be printed at the end of our series with the help of the Community Education Department of SAD44.

Cathi's healthy eating evening on March 11, a "Hands-On Thai Dinner Party," was booked to capacity well in advance. Chip Willets, of Sassafras Market, whose kitchen class on "Balance in Eating" scheduled for March 18 is also all booked.

Be sure to check the posters and flyers in the area for dates of healthy eating evenings by other participating restaurants, many of which will be taking reservations for all their restaurants can handle. These include Bethel Inn, Millbrook Tavern; Good Food Store (at Congregational Church dining room); Rooster's Roadhouse; The Victoria Restaurant: The Sudbury Inn Dining Room; and S. S. Milton.

This series is sponsored by the To Your Health committee of WMSC. For more information, call Rosabelle Tifft at 824-2053 or Judy Whitman at 824-0347.

For Your Calendar

Down Home Maine will present Dr. Rick Churchill, noted Botanist, on Thursday, April 2, and Gil Witman, sculptor, on Thursday, May 7. Both presentations will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at a location to be announced,

From the

Bethel Rotary

The Bethel Rotary Club will hold its spring All-You-Can-Eat Buffet at Ordway Hall, Gould Academy, Church Street, Bethel on March 22 from 7:30 to 11 a.m.

Save a dollar each adult ticket by buying your ticket in advance for \$7. Tickets are available from club members, River View Resort, The Inn at Rostay, Ellie's Gym, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Books N Things and Mt. Mann Jewelers. Tickets at door are \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and young-

Proceeds benefit the club's community projects and scholarships, such as Christmas for Children, Senior Citizens Holiday Dinner, West Bethel Children's Center, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boys/ Girls State, Camp Susan Curtis and Mahoosuc Kids Association.

<u>Mahoosuc</u> Land Trust

The Mahoosuc Land Trust will host the third of their 2009 Local Knowledge series on Wednesday, March 18, at 7 p.m. at the Shelburne Town Hall in Shelburne, N.H.

Paul Cormier, in his 17th year as a mountain guide for the International Mountain Climbing School in North Conway, will speak on "Climbing in Bolivia."

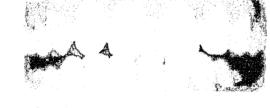
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Bethel Performing Arts Project

Bethel Performing Arts Project (BPAP) got underway last fall with a Bethel Inn Dinner Theater, filled to capacity, and in December with over twodozen artists participating in local businesses for Bethel's Shop-around program.

Ross Timberlake and Lynn Arizzi, volunteer coordinators, said the BPAP gathered momentum with the success of these programs. This has pointed the way for a community meeting to formally organize the BPAP and look ahead to future planning.

This important community meeting will be held on Sunday, March 15, from 4 to 7 p.m. at The Funky Red Barn on Summer Street, Bethel. Timberlake and Arizzi urge all area performing artists, including musicians, actors and

dancers, as well as supporting artists and crafts people, including writers, set builders, and sound and lighting people, to attend. Representatives from area businesses, churches and organizations are also encouraged to attend.

BPAPs ambitious goal looks ahead to not only enhancing the local economy but sustaining a creative, performing arts environment. This goal can be realized, said Timberlake, through the partnership of area businesses and associations working with performing artists to provide affordable entertainment for the community. He said BPAP can help transform the downtown from a place where one needs to go to a place where people will want to be. Arizzi, who directs the Bethel Community Players, said "there is a great array of local talent available, which makes it possible for all of us to have inspiring artistic experiences right here at home in Bethel."

BPAP encourages the participation of persons of all ages in its productions with emphasis on original projects conceived, designed and produced by local residents.

For more information or to RSVP for the community meeting, performers may call Arizzi at 824-0080 and businesses may call Timberlake at 824-6545.

From

Oxford County Democrats

The Oxford County Democrats will hold their winter/ spring meeting on Sunday, March 22, at the Crescent Park School in Bethel beginning at 3:30 and ending by 6 p.m.

some basic business and up- to share and to bring a donadates, with the major portion tion for the local food pantry. devoted to a facilitated plan-

Cathy Newell, the meeting election cycle. Those attendwill begin with social time and ing are invited to bring snacks The meeting is open to Dem-

Nathan Libby of the Change that Works campaign will be among the individuals offering updates on statewide initiatives. Reports will be given

ed in electing Democrats.

by State Committee representatives including Rose Wells of Brownfield, Steve Hayes or Buckfield, Roy Gedat and Julie Peterson of Norway, as well as by the legislative delegation including Senator Bruce Bryant, Rep. Matt Peterson, Rep. Sheryl Briggs. Rep. Terry Hayes, and Rep. Helen Rankin. Local Democrats who attended the Inauguration in January will report on the experience. "The planning session will

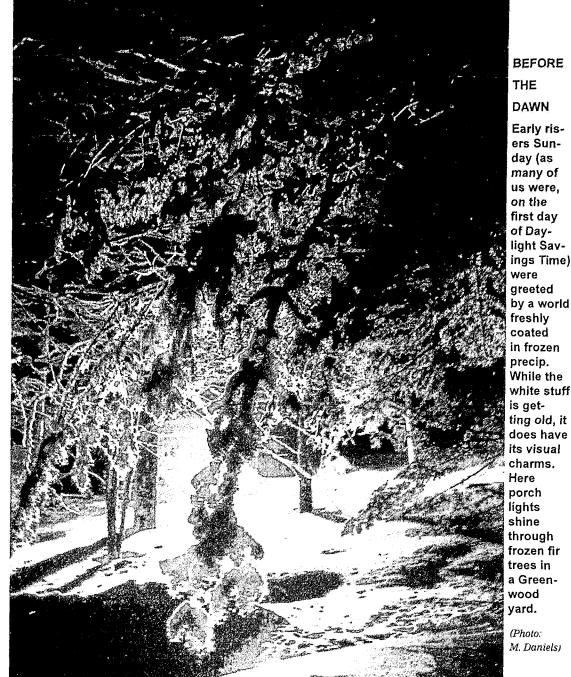
be the real focus of our meeting," Newell states. "We will have some exciting initiative to discuss including issue forums, fundraising, visibility at events, as well as building a great slate of candidates for 2010." Additional information on the Oxford County Democrats is available on www.oxforddems.org or on Facebook, or by contacting Newell at 875-2116.

Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Stanley R. Howe, executive director of the Bethel Historical Society, announced this week the receipt of a \$500 grant from the Maine Humanities Council to support the society's 2009 Lecture Series, "Celebrating Western Maine History.'

"We are delighted with this support," said Howe in making the announcement. "The annual lecture series is an important part of our programming and we are pleased to have the Maine Humanities Council as a partner in this endeavor," he added.

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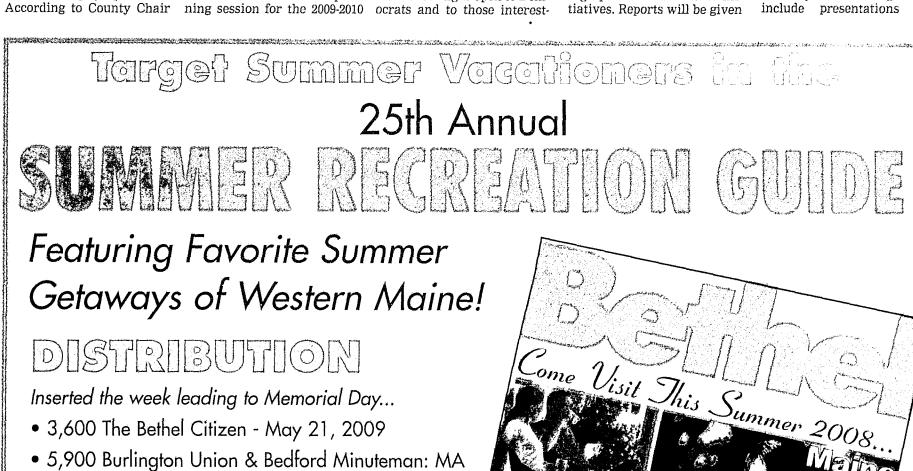
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"sons. "To learn more about programming at the Bethel Historical Society, go to the website: www.bethelhistorical. org.

Lectures, courses, seminars, workshops, conferences and other related educational activities have a long tradition at the Bethel Historical Society that has been offering opportunities for learning about the local and regional past for more than forty years.

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Bob Sargent and his family are used to transition and challenge. His thirty years of service in the military and federal government included eighteen years overseas in

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"However, July of 2005
"brought an unexpected change to the lives of Bob and his family. Then retired and living year-round in Sargent-ville, Maine, Bob had a stroke that paralyzed the left side of his body.

Accustomed to numerous activities with their seemingly invincible patriarch, the injury jolted the entire fam-

ily. However, the aftermath landed particularly hard on grandsons Rory Sargent and Beckett Slayton, aged 9 and 10 respectively, who were left wondering if they would ever ski with their grandfather

With the help of the staff and several of 450 volunteers at Maine Handicapped Skiing, and especially the Veterans/No Boundaries program, the Sargents continue to enjoy regular family ski vacations at Sunday River, and Bob is once again skiing independently with the use of specialized skills and adaptive equipment, "Last week, son Rob, son-in-law Bob Slayton, grandsons Rory Sargent and Beckett Slayton and I had a 'guys weekend' of skiing at Sunday River. My family and I will forever be grateful to MHS for getting Granddad back into skiing," said Mr. Sargent.

Maine Handicapped Skiing, a nonprofit organization, was founded in 1982 to provide free adaptive recreation opportunities for children and adults with physical disabilities. The organization currently serves over 300 participants statewide through year-round programs that include alpine and Nordic skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, golf, canoeing, kayaking, and cycling. In 2005, the Veterans/No Boundaries program was launched to bring together veterans and active duty personnel who have physical disabilities as well as their families for five days of alpine and Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, dog sledding and snowmobiling each winter, and three days of golf, cycling, fishing, climbing wall, and paddling each summer.

"Veterans/No Boundaries is an opportunity for disabled veterans and their guests to participate in free adaptive recreational programs at a time when they are readjusting to daily activities after an injury. These activities may

be something they have done prior to their injury and really enjoyed and thought they would not enjoy again, or it may be a completely new adventure that may lead to other opportunities for a healthier lifestyle in the future," according to MHS Board member Joanne McMahon. This year's winter event took place in Newry, Maine on Feb. 5-9 and included 19 participants and their families, as well as roughly sixty volunteers each

Bob Sargent summed up his experience at the 2009 event, "I also am immensely grateful for the opportunity to have associated these three years with countless courageous, enthusiastic and determined fellow participants who are dealing heroically with 'bumps in the road,' including veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces who have sustained significant injuries in Vietnam, the Balkans, Iraq and Afghanistan."

Now participants of Veterans/No Boundaries like Bob Sargent have an opportunity to give back to this program and others at MHS through fundraising in the 24th annual Ski-A-Thon, which takes place on Saturday, March 21, 2009 at Sunday River Resort and Sunday River Inn & Cross Country Center. Mr. Sargent and other Ski-A-Thon participants form five-person teams that solicit pledges and participate in a fun-filled day of relay races, obstacle courses, and other contests geared toward raising awareness and funding for MHS's free adaptive recreation programs. His team "The Dreammakers," and other teams create Web pages through www.firstgiving.com, where they have the opportunity to post pictures, tell their personal stories, and track their fundraising prog-

"Fundraising in this case is a team competition. The least

we can do is to ask friends and family to help us give back to this amazing organization. It is our fervent hope that such family and friends will help our team, the Dreammakers, bring home some bacon," Mr. Sargent says on his Web page. Those interested in pledging can peruse the participants' sites, and make online pledges securely and conveniently. All donations and pledges are tax-deductible and support MHS's mission and programs, and the Ski-A-Thon typically raises roughly 65 percent of the organization's annual operating budget, making it one of Maine's largest singleday fundraising event. MHS is also currently seeking additional participants and teams for the 2009 Ski-A-Thon.

To learn more about Bob Sargent and his experiences through MHS, please visit his Ski-A-Thon Web page www. firstgiving.com/bobsargent1.

To participate in the 2009 Ski-A-Thon or find out more about Veterans/No Boundaries and all of Maine Handicapped Skiing's year-round adaptive recreation programs and upcoming events, please visit the website at www.skimhs. org or call (800) 639-7770. You can also see MHS alpine skiing programs in action daily at Sunday River, and on weekends at Sugarloaf.

Mt. Washington Observatory

As a microclimatologist and professor from the Ruhr region of Germany, Andreas Pflitsch's career has taken him all over the world.

From ice caves in Slovakia, to Wind Cave National Park in South Dakota, he has studied airflow and wind movement in some of the Earth's most unique underworlds.

None of these places, however, have captured his attention like Mount Washington, N.H., with its rare combination of geographic and climatic features.

The perfect natural laboratory for both Pflitsch and his pupils, he has brought students to the Mount Washington Observatory summit weather station every winter since 1997. This year, from Feb. 15-21 and March 1-7, two groups of twelve students each came to study the mountain's weather and experience the rigors of conducting scientific research in such an extreme outpost.

"While there are certainly colder places and probably more windy places," Pflitsch notes, "nowhere else boasts a full-service research facility and is so close to several major metropolitan areas."

A total of two weeks in length, Pflitsch's student trips begin with a brief visit to New

York City for sightseeing and a look at wind currents in the city's subway system. The group then heads north to Boston, where they continue their study of underground airflow. Next, they travel to Brattleboro, Vt., where students are introduced to the New England woodland environment and begin their studies in geology and geography. Finally, they head to New Hampshire, where they make the journey up Mount Washington for a one-week stay at the Mount Washington Observatory's summit weather station. There, students conduct various assignments and research projects, ranging from wind mapping to measuring temperature variations in alpine microcli-

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School Lunch Week of March 16

Telstar Lunches

Monday: Chicken fajitas, seasoned rice, whole kernel corn, salsa, sour cream, pizza, 3 hot sandwich choices.

Tuesday: Make your own sandwich bar w/buffalo chicken and egg salad, pig in a blanket, baked beans, coleslaw, 3 hot sandwich choices.

Wednesday: Make your own pasta bar, bread, blueberries and yogurt, pizza, 3 hot Sandwich choices.

Thursday: Chili and chips, pizza, 3 hot sandwich choices.

Friday: Bosco sticks w/dipping sauce or pizza, meatball

sub, oven fries, 3 hot sandwich choices.

Four fruit and vegetables choices daily. Veggie burgers available daily.

SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches Monday: Chicken fajita, seasoned rice, whole kernel corn.

salsa, sour cream, cheeseburger/bun, Smucker's uncrust-able pb&j.

Tuesday: Pig in a blanket, baked beans, coleslaw, Shamrock cake, Smucker's uncrustable.

Wednesday: Meatball sub, potato starz, blueberries and you

Wednesday: Meatball sub, potato starz, blueberries and yo, gurt, chicken patty/bun, Smucker's uncrustable pb&j.

Thursday: Pizza choices, whole kernel corn, Smucker's uncrustable pb&j.

Friday: Max cheese sticks w/dipping sauce, corn on the cob, salad bar, strawberries/grapes, chocolate pudding w/top; ping, Smucker's uncrustable pb&j.

Fruit and veggie bar daily (2 servings of fruit and 2 servings of vegetables.



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I love Andover and I welcome the opportunity to serve the town's residents. We moved to Andover five years ago, not only for the natural beauty, but also for the sense of community that is not easily found today. It is the perfect place for us to raise our daughter and provide her with caring neighbors and friends.

I want to serve you all—long time residents, seasonal residents and visitors—by providing convenient hours for registrations, licenses, taxes and other needs. I also welcome the opportunity to work effectively with other town organizations, committees and the Board of Selectmen to the benefit of the Town of Andover.

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Vote Lora Owings on March 24th
Paid for by Lora Owin



Events Calendar

9:15 a.m. (Fridays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. - The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices in the Commons of the Fare Share Market at 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome to come and listen. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - Veterans' Advocate will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls

Wednesday nights - TOPS, take off pounds sensibly, meets at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - T'ai Chi at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsey at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. - Pre-school Story Time (ages 2 to 5 and parents or caregivers) at Norway Memorial Library, 258 Main Street. Free. Thru February, except Feb. 16-20, and March. FMI: 743-5308.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com.

Fridays 10:30 a.m. - Infants/toddlers to age 2 and parents share rhymes, finger plays, songs, etc. at Norway Memorial Library, 258 Main Street. Free. Thru February, except Feb. 16-20, and March. FMI: 743-5308.

Thursday, March 12

Becky Shaw Day at Mt. Abram. 2 p.m. - Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond, quest speaker will be Marty Elkin of Morrill Farm, Sumner, who will present program of living history from 1870s and also talk about the farm's Maple Syrup Sunday. Open to public at no charge; light refreshments served.

Friday, March 13

6 p.m. - St. Kieran Friends of the Arts St. Patrick's Day Dinner Celebration at Town and Country Motor Inn, Shelburne, to raise funds for Arts Center programs and winter heating expenses. Tickets: \$25 (advance only, first come, first served) available at Wonderland Bookstore, Gill's Florist Shop and the Arts Center Office, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. FMI: call (603) 752-1028.

7 p.m. - Friends of Norway Memorial Library's Independent Foreign Film series "Under The Bombs" will be shown at the library. It takes place during a cease-fire in Lebanon-Israeli conflict (2006). Free film and popcorn and runs 1-1/2 hours. FMI: call library (743-5309)

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Friday, March 13, 20, 27 12 to 1 p.m. - Ecumenical Lenten Lunch at West Parish

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

Congregational Church, Bethel. Following simple soup lunch will be short meditation/discussion on one of the Psalms. Everyone welcome to share this hour of fellowship.

Saturday, March 14

Nordic Ski Race hosted by Bethel Inn. Also, nightly race series offered first four Wednesday evenings in March (4, 11, 18, 25). FMI: call Mike Cooper at Bethel Nordic Ski Center (824-6276 or e-mail skisop@caribourecreation.com or visit www.caribourecreation.com.

1 to 5 p.m. - Birthday Celebration for Ivan Morey's 90th at the American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. No gifts please. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, March 15

4 to 7 p.m. - Bethel Performing Arts Project hosts first community meeting at The Funky Red Barn, Summer Street, Bethel. Area performing artists as well as supporting artists and craftspeople encouraged to attend. Representatives from area businesses, churches, and organizations also urged to attend. FMI or to RSVP: performers call Lynn Arizzi (824-0508), businesses, call Ross Timberlake (824-6545).

7 p.m. - "Rosie the Irreverent" performed by Leah Bonnema, Maggie Champagne and Jackie Monahan and hosted by Jewel Clark at The Bethel Inn Resort Conference Center. Call 824-2175 for advance reservations.

Monday, March 16

5:30 to 7 p.m. - WinterFest 2010 Planning Committee invites any interested business, community members, and organizations who would like to help to attend the first formal meeting at Rooster's Roadhouse, 159 Mayville Road (Route 2). Light refreshments available. FMI: call Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce at 824-2282.

Tuesday, March 17

7 p.m. - Black Diamond Entertainment Series: The Airborne Comedians, jugglers, at Sunday River Ski Resort's Grand Summit Resort Hotel. Tickets: adults 13 and over \$6 advance, \$8 at door; 12 and under, \$4 advance or \$6 at door, under 5 free. FMI: call (800) 543-2SKI.

Wednesday, March 18

7 a.m. - Rangeley Ladies/Community Breakfast at Gingerbread House, Main Street, Oquossoc. Enjoy their fabulous breakfast and bring all your family and friends. Special dietary needs or more information call 864-3602.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Central Maine Heart and Vascular Institute Wellness Van will be at Rumford Hannaford Store. Two CMHVI health counselors will provide blood pressure checks, osteoporosis screenings, and cholesterol screenings. \$10 fee for cholesterol screening.

4 to 7:30 p.m. - Telstar Parent-Teacher Conferences Parents/guardians call 824-2136, press 1, to schedule

6 p.m. - Sassafras Market & Deli owner/chef Chip Willets will hold a kitchen class at The Victoria Restaurant, 32 Main Street on a variety of ways to cook and prepare a fish and seafood dinner. Reservations only. Cost: \$10. Call 824-3110 by Monday noon, March 16, to reserve your place. Sponsored by To Your Health Committee of Western Mountains Senior College as part of "Healthy Eating on a Budget" program. FMI: call R. Tifft at 824-2053 or J. Whitman at 824-0347.

6 to 7 p.m. - Diabetes Support Group at Harper Conference Center. Free. FMI: call Doreen Adams at 743-1565 Ext. 773 or visit www.wmhcc.org.

7 p.m. - "Climbing in Brazil" with speaker Paul Cormier at Shelburne Town Hall, Shelburne, N.H., a presentation by Mahoosuc Land Trust as part of Local Knowledge 2009. FMI or if inclement weather, call 824-3806, e-mail info a Mahoosuc. org or visit www.Manoosuc.org

Thursday, March 19

6p.m. Potluck Supper and Singing at Wilkins Community House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. All welcome. People welcome to bring guitar or other instrument. FMI: call Jane Moore at 583-4502.

Thursday and Friday, March 19 and 20

Daffodil Bouquets will be on sale at Bethel Foodliner for benefit of the American Cancer Society. To pre-order or for more information, call Caroline Gould at 824-3226 by March 1. Minimum order for delivery is \$25.

Saturday, March 21

9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - At Lovell United Church of Christ, Route 5, Center Lovell: lunch, baked goods, crafts, flea market items, antiques, furniture, something for everyone. Table rental or information contact Linda Libby at 925-3661.

24th annual Maine Handicapped Skiing Ski-A. Thon at Sunday River XC Ski Center. Create a team or just come to play and support MHS for day. Lots of fun games and prizes. FMI: call 824-2410 or e-mail info@sundayriverinn.com.

5 to 6:30 p.m. - Public Supper at United Parish Church, 77 Main Street, Harrison sponsored by Waterford World's Fair Association. Cost: \$7 adults and \$3 under 12. Menu: ham, potato, sweet potato, peas, string beans, rolls, homemade pies.

7 p.m. - Black Diamond Entertainment Series: Wildlife Encounters -- Animal Interaction at its best, at Sunday River Ski Resort's Grand Summit Resort Hotel. Meet animals such as African Desert Fox, American Alligator, Australian Sugar Glider, tarantulas, tree frogs, etc. Tickets: adults 13 and over \$6 advance, \$8 at door; 12 and under, \$4 advance or \$6 at door, under 5 free. FMI: call (800) 543-2SKI.

Sunday, March 22 7:30 to 11 a.m. - Bethel Rotary Club All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Buffet at Gould Academy's Ordway Dining Hall. Tickets: \$7 in advance from club members, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, River View, Rostay, Mt. Mann, Ellie's Gym or Books 'N Things. \$8 at door. Proceeds benefit the club's community service projects and scholarships.

11 a.m. - 19th annual Eat the Heat Chili Cookoff and Firefighters Race, Whitecap Lodge, Sunday River Ski Resort to benefit Maine Handicapped Skiing. Watch teams of five firefighters skiing in full turnout gear and carrying a hose down the slopes. FMI: (800) 543-2SKI or visit www. sundayriver.com/eventscalendar.

2 p.m. - Mountain Top Music Orchestra at St. Kieran Community Arts Center, 255 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. FMI: call (603) 752-1028 or e-mail Kieran ancia.net.

Tuesday, March 24

4 to 7:30 p.m. - Telstar Parent-Teacher Conferences, parents/guardians call 824-2136, press 1, to schedule appointment.

Wednesday, March 25

4 p.m. At McLaughlin Garden, Main Street, South Paris. "Trees -- Anchor of the Landscape" by Rick Churchill, People Places and Plants Magazine. He will share some of his favorite trees, native and exotic. Snow date: TBA. Free. FMI: call 743-8820 or visit www.mclaughlingarden.org.

6 p.m. - Healthy Eating on a Budget at Millbrook Tavern, Bethel Inn sponsored by To Your Health Committee of Western Mountains Senior College, Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44/Community Education and Wayne DuPlessis. counselor. FMI: call R. Tifft (824-2053) or J. Whitman (624-

Sunday, March 29

Bowl for Kids' Sake at Oxford Lanes, Rumford, sponsored by Child Health Center Big Brothers Big Sisters to support Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring Program in River Valle Community. Form a team of four. FMI and to get team packets. call the Child Health Center at 743-7035.

Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street; and Saturdays at 4pm at Sunday River South Ridge Base Lodge, third-floor human resources conference room.

ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond. West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566. 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednes day each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday

VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30 Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian, 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3.

Upton Library: Wednesday, 2-6, Children's Hour 1-2; Saturday 2-4.

Church Services

ALBANY Congregational Church - Hunts Corner. 930a m. Sunday worshin and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon, Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau

ANDOVER First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship to to 11 a m.

followed by branch. All are welcome. FMI - 392-Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff, Sunday School, 9:36 a.m.: Morning

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.: Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 p m Rt 5. S. Andover 392-1121 BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church- Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Paster: Jim Rose. Youth Paster. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9a.m.; Worship Service at 10a m.; Kidz Klube 1 yrs. 5th grades and High School Youth Group i9th-12th grades at 530 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th 8th grade) at 5 p.m.

For more information, call 824-2289 Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuek Mason, 930 am, Sunday School, 1930 am morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info. 821-4028. tymee mailt or 824 7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev Virginia Rickeman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m., FMI call 6214550 Our Lady of the Snows- Saturday mass

at 6 p.m. Rev. Angelo Levasseur. 364 4556 United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Ris tor 1636a m Sunday worship. Sunday School. 9.300 m

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 am Sunday School. For information call 636-3533 or 836-2652 New John Williams Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron Mc

Nally, Sunday Services, Sunday School, 9am. Worship Service, Team: Ladies Hible study Tuesday, 2.30pm: Prayer meeting Tuesday õpm: Awana elubs follow school vear calendar. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037 Episcopal House Church - Holy com-

munion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 36 Chapman Street For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913 Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road

clioute 26), Bethel Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call

EAST STONEHAM

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Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC). located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2051 Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sanday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 663 466 2136

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison Rev Walter R. Brown, Paster, Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school to 15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12 Call 583/9024 or 948/7040 for more info

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Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) Sun day worship 9 30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center. High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665 2080 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more informa-Christ Episcopal Church 35 Paris St

Sunday Services 9 a m . June Aug . Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays Meating service with communion 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday Rev Anne Stanley Call 743-6782 for more information

First Baptist Church of Paris On the Common at the top of Paris Hill 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship Pastor Ron Blake

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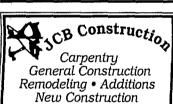
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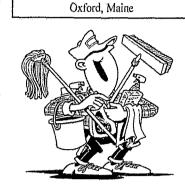
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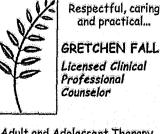
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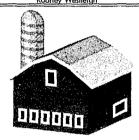
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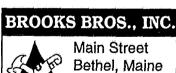
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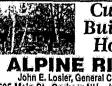
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"I give my students an assignment and they think, 'hey, this is easy.' But once they see what it is like to work in this kind of environment, they quickly learn that nothing is easy up here," says Pflitsch. "We have winters in Germany, but not like this."

Marcel Gellissen, a graduate student from the University of Ruhr at Bochum, is currently conducting research for his thesis project in climatology. His fourth visit to Mount Washington since 2007, Gellissen is completing a month-long study of the various methods used to measure frozen precipitation. As a self-proclaimed extreme weather junkie, Gellissen says he is "hooked on Mount Washington's weather," noting that "there's no other place you can experience

weather like this." From his first visit to Mount Washington as a tourist in 1993, Pflitsch knew it would make an ideal classroom for his students. unique mountain's topography, extreme weather, and great accessibility were unlike anywhere else he had ever been, allowing him to introduce a broad range of

topics and environments in one relatively short visit. And while he admits that the students are often initially more excited about the urban portion of the trip, in the end, it is their time on Mount Washington that they cherish the most.

"It's a whole lot of fun to be up in the tower and feel the wind," says Katja Linke, an English and geography major who is studying to be a teacher. Though she has studied in the United States before, it is her first visit to Mount Washington.

Stefan Jamsen, a geography major, also notes appreciation for the cultural immersion, as students live and work alongside Observatory staff for the duration of their visit. "The people here, the weather observers, are great. I have learned a lot from them."

resource national for weather and climate Mount the education, Washington Observatory frequently collaborates with colleges and universities on research projects and other educational programs.

"Our mountaintop weather station is really a natural laboratorythatallowsstudents to bring into the field those

they learn in the classroom," says Ken Rancourt, Mount Observatory Washington Director of Summit Operations. Pflitsch's first point of contact back in 1994, it was Rancourt who invited Pflitsch to explore the educational opportunities on Mount Washington. "Climatology meteorology and cross boundaries, international and it's important that the

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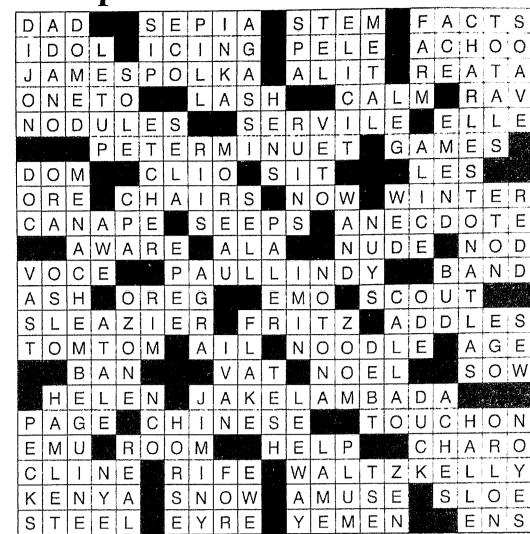
exchange of knowledge." The 12th year of the program, Pflitsch is thrilled to be able to offer this kind of experience to his students. "I tell them about Mount Washington's weather and they see it in videos, but they are always amazed at how different it is in real life

Observatory participates in programs that facilitate this

how strong the wind really can be and how difficult it can be to walk in wind and work in wind."

Gellissen, who has also conducted cold weather research in Scandinavia, is convinced that Mount Washington is the best place to gain practical field experience. "You have rough weather, but rough beauty too. You can't find these conditions anywhere else."

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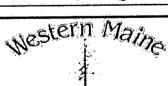
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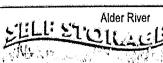


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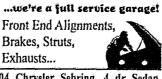
Three ranger districts plan to fill seasonal positions in several recreation program areas including developed site management, trail maintenance, and backcountry/wilderness support for the spring/summer/fall of 2009.

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real estate connection

Recent area real estate transactions

BETHEL

Gary and Edith Okenquist to Timothy and Debra Borchard, P.O. Box 271, Jay, ME, land at 411 Vernon St., Nov. 20, 2008.

Christopher and Carey Rasco to Harry Radenberg, 5006 Dutton Road, Sudbury, Mass., land at 5 Greely Lane, \$175,000, Nov. 21, 2008.

Alexander and Laura Kaufman to Henrique Pedro and Janice Violante, 25 Long Street, East Greenwich, R.I., land at 88 Brook Road, \$235,000, Nov. 21, 2008.

Jacqueline Van Leuven to Mitchell and Jean Benedict, Unit 64111, APO, AE 09831-4100, land and building at 13 Chapman Street, Bethel, \$207,000, Nov. 25, 2008.

Richard DiPlacido to Richard and Julia Taylor, 948 US Highway 1 Bypass, Suite E. Portsmouth, N.H., land at lot 6, Hide-A-Way Hills, \$240,000, Nov. 27, 2008.

Alexander and Laura Kaufman to Henrique Pedro and Janice Violante, 25 Lanog St., East Greenwich, R.I., land at 88 Brook Rd., \$235,000, Nov. 21, 2008.

Ronald Benjamin Jr. to Amy Benjamin, 18 Ledge Lane, Gloucester, land, Route 26, \$0, Nov. 15, 2008.

Michael and Nina Wheeler to Bradley Benson, Box 689, Northwest Bethel Road, onehalf of Grovers Island, \$2,000.

David Parthe and Kristen Brown to Brielle Brown, P.O. Box 833, Bethel, 25 Cherry Lane, Unit 25, \$105,000, Dec. 15, 2008

Bank of New York to Ruel and Lori Swain, 35 Terrace Road, Bethel, land and buildings, 3 Annis Road, \$55,000, Dec. 3, 2008.

Gordon Crockett to Jarrod Crockett, 439 East Bethel Rd., land on the East Bethel Road, \$0, Dec. 12, 2008.

David North to George Feinberg & Julie Waterman. Lot 29. Will View Subdivision, \$65,000, Dec. 23, 2008.

Michael and Suzanne Legere to Matthew & Wendy Kirchner, Land at 14 Will View Rd, \$200,000, Dec. 19, 2008.

GREENWOOD

A&B Equipment Co. to William and Terry Childs, Greenwood, land off Greenwood Rd., 41.8 acres, \$80,000, Dec. 29, 2008.

Mary Stone to Christopher Van Leuven, land and building Bethel, \$102,000, Dec. 12, 2008.

Valerie Cole to Julie and Diane Alexander, Berwick, land and building Cole Road, \$107,000, Dec. 16, 2008.

Leon and Jeanne Jarvis to Robert Putnam, Falmouth, land and building, Howe Hill Road, \$134,000, Dec. 4, 2008.

NEWRY

Belge Robbat-Coombs Nom-

inee Trust to Jeffrey T. and

Linda L. Hebert, property in

Newry, \$425,000, Nov. 3, 2008.

Peter D. and Glynis

Burgdorff to David L. and

Stacy Coombs, property in

to Angel A. Fernandez and

in Newry, \$101,000, Nov. 14,

property in Newry, \$150,000.

Meadow View Estates LLC

to David C. Bonardi, property

Helen A. Morton to Bradley

property in Newry, \$100,000,

Erick M. and Maria D.

Skelley to Chester G. and

information above has been

records in the individual town

offices. The transaction prices

are sent to the towns by the

not arrive for several weeks

About the listings; The

Eileen J. Flahive, property in

Newry, \$124,500, Nov. 14, 2008.

in Newry, \$144,300, Nov. 1,

S. and Brenda L. Wight,

Mainevest LLC to

Nov. 14, 2008.

Nov. 12, 2008.

Poongothai Ilangovan,

Newry, \$510,000, Nov 3, 2008.

Maine Mt. Properties LLC

Barbara M. Sorondo, property

Gilbert and Barbara Dunham to Karl and Kathy Eisenhofer, Northboro, Mass., land and building Knoll Rd., \$130,000, Oct. 28, 2008.

Robert and Sharon Rainville to Monika Burk, Greenwood, 2 acres Morse Rd. \$8,500, Nov. 31, 2008.

WOODSTOCK

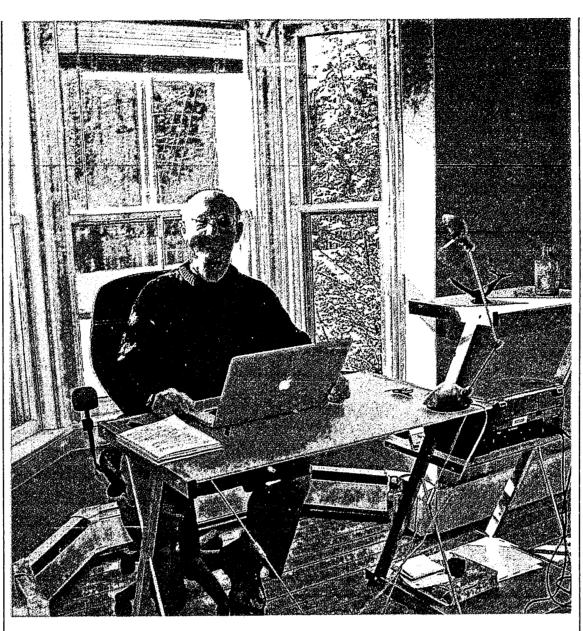
Philip Cormley, Wellesley, Mass., to A & B Equipment Co., Rumford, 142 acres land, Cushman Road/Rt. 26, \$135,000, Dec. 4, 2008.

Christine Bassett to Raymond and Cynthia Hartneck, Merchantville, N.J., land and building on North Pond, \$190,000, Nov. 21, 2008.

Paul and Jacqueline Conley to Kenny and Laurie Wellington, Allentown, Pa., land and building on Gore Road, \$115,000, Nov. 21, 2008.

Eva Twitchell to Patrick and Kimberly Carson, Stoneham, land and building on Twitchell Road, \$156,500, Nov. 20, 2008.

Frank and Nancy Harmon to David and Lisa Pinciaro of Beverley, Mass., land and building on Saunders Road, \$118,000, Nov. 21, 2008.



Marcel has seen the nature of the Bethel market evolve

Marcel Polak, of Spruce Mountain Realty Buyer Broker, has felt the ebb and flow of the local real estate market. He holds one of the oldest real estate licenses in town, having worked in the late 1980's with Gillies Realty.

And he has seen the nature of the market evolve; but the more it changes, he said, the more its basics remain intact.

"My perspective is that fundamentally the Bethel-area real estate market has not changed in the most important ways," Polak said.
"The Bethel area is still desirable for primary and second homes, retirement, and long-term

investment. The real estate market here has always responded to the national economic forces, but because the market doesn't inflate as much as other areas, it doesn't crash as they do.

"Local banks practiced responsible lending. The result is there are very few foreclosures and the market is more stable than other areas. A wide range of homes from 19th century historical to contemporary are available, and more importantly the land is still largely natural and unique." One change he has seen, Polak said, is "there are fewer young families with kids and fewer "rural pioneers" — people moving here attracted to a rural lifestyle and relatively inexpensive real estate. This may again change as people adopt more sustainable lifestyles, one of the main qualities the rural pioneers were seeking and found here."

Another change has been the nature of the ownership model itself.

Twenty years ago, private property was the dominant ownership model, but long-term ownerships were starting to erode, putting at risk the loss of important natural areas and public access," Polak said. "In response, the Mahoosuc Land Trust was founded. While this organization was not considered mainstream at the time, it's mission is now widely accepted and supported." As a real estate buyer broker, Polak works exclusively for buyers, but he deals with many forms of real estate, including general real estate in western Maine: land, homes, condominiums,

businesses, and more. He also works statewide with conservation real estate statewide, including land trusts, state agencies and private buyers, and provides services and project management in land conservation

and land use. Polak was born in Paris, France and raised in Brooklyn and Queens, New York.

He has a BA in History-Art from Queens College of the City University of New York and an MS in Natural Resources Management and Administration from Antioch New England Graduate School.

He has lived in Woodstock, with his wife, Emily, on the same property since 1979. Marcel and Emily built a passive solar home, heated also with wood, which he currently cuts sustainably from his own land. They have a large organic vegetable and flower garden. He also co-owns and manages a red spruce woodland near his home.

In addition to his real estate background, he has over 30 years of experience in the environmental field, including work as a naturalist, environmental educator, land trust founder/executive director, and in sustainable community/economic development.

His interests include gardening, collecting wild mushrooms, collecting and making pottery, hiking, bicycling, and canoeing/kayaking.

Polak can be reached at 207-890-9953, or at www.sprucemountaininc.com.

without Sacrifice at Home (ARA) - Spring is the perfect

How to Promote Sustainability

time to think green. The sun is shining and plants are in bloom -- so why not get inspired to consider adding a bit of green to your lifestyle? Here's a look at how you can reduce your consumption of the earth's resources to help preserve them for years to come.

Go Green to Get More Coin

Cutting back on consumption isn't the only reason homeowners are undertaking green remodels, according to The Wall Street Journal. Certified green homes are garnering a higher resale value. A recent study of real-estate listings in Seattle found green homes sold not only for a higher price, but sat on the market a quarter less time. With as much as 20 percent of all new construction expected to be green by 2012, going green is a wise choice for the planet and for the future value of your home.

Think you need to go all out to make a lasting impact? There are plenty of small steps you can take to increase your home's value over time, not to mention make it healthier and more efficient. Stick to upgrades proven to make a difference when it comes to resale, but do so with a green twist, like freshening up walls with a new coat of paint. But be sure to use one with low-volatile organic chemicals (VOCs) to reduce gaseous pollutants in your home.

In the Name of Green

Have you been longing to upgrade your home electronics, but haven't been able to find a good enough reason? Helping the environment is a great way to convince your family to make additional updates to your home. By switching from your standard tubebased television to an LCD flat panel model, you'll significantly reduce your energy consumption -- by more than 30 percent. Trade in your old desktop computer for a laptop and reduce your usage with 75 percent energy savings.

Electronics aren't the only thing you can revamp for the sake of helping the planet. Your bathrooms can always use a little greening. One of the easiest ways to save water without a change in experience is to upgrade your showerhead. Moen's new Nurture water-efficient. three-setting showerheads use up to 30 percent less water while still providing a superior shower experience with full-body coverage.



With a flow rate of 1.75 gallons per minute (gpm), it's one of the first to offer significant savings in reducing both water consumption and energy costs from the industry-standard 2.5 gpm showerheads without sacrificing performance. Available at Lowe's, Nurture multi-setting showerheads also allow you to choose the distinct spray setting that suits your mood. Who knew being green could feel so good?

Green Your Daily Routine

In addition to projects around the house, little changes in your everyday activities will help to save the planet and add some green to your wallet:

- · Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth or shaving and save up to 10 gallons of water a day.
- · Depending on your showerhead, just reducing your daily shower by five minutes can save between 5,000 and 19,000 gallons of water and hundreds of dollars each year.
- · Staying away from the hot cycle when washing your clothes will not only prolong the life and look of your fabrics, but also help you save on energy between 80 and 85 percent.

Want more ideas to learn how to make your home greener? Check out the Energy Star Home Advisor (www.energy-star.gov) to get green advice.

This spring, when you're contemplating whether or not those green updates will really make a difference, just go for it. You'll not only have a home with a higher resale value, but you'll also provide great energy savings and a healthier environment for the whole family to enjoy.

For more information on Moen's new Nurture water-efficient, multi-setting showerheads available at Lowe's, visit www.moen.com, or call (800) BUY-MOEN.

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Budget Home Remodeling: It's All Done with Mirrors Transactions Continued



(ARA) With the housing crunch keeping more homeowners in homes they've outgrown, and the economy keeping renovation budgets tight, more homeowners are looking for smaller home improvement projects that offer big return on investment. While many homeowners may think of remodeling as heavy construction, it's possible to make a significant change in your home with projects that don't require any big structural changes.

In the past, if your bathroom was too small. compiled from the latest public you might tear it out, take space from here and there and not think twice about turning it into a huge master Maine Revenue Service and may bath suite. The new twist is that homeowners will after the purchase closing date. try to make it more livable

with the smaller touches: more mirrors to add a sense of "space," new lighting. glass shower enclosures, and updated fixtures and hardware. Structurally, it's the same bathroom, but now it has an airier feel.

An interior "face-lift" allows you to use mirrors or glass to change the look of your environments relatively inexpensively, and recommit to your home, rather than sell it or simply undertake a big renovation. Not a doit-yourselfer? The housing slow down also means good contractors may be able to take on these smaller projects that they passed on previously. Further, these contractors are more willing to negotiate a fair price, providing affordable

opportunities to homeowners. Mirrors are the leading tool in changing the way a room is perceived. Long seen as a "secret weapon" of interior designers, mirrors can change the look and feel of a room instantly, without a lot of effort or expense. They add light, create a sense of space and openness, and reflect interesting views. Mirrors are a simple way to change the look of a room and brighten

up a space. A recent study by a leading mirror manufacturer in the United States revealed

that homeowners perceive a mirror as "cheap art," adding a focal point to a room that didn't have one before, at a cost far more attractive than a painting or expensively framed print. This option is creating a new era of interior design with mirrors. Interior decorators are discovering classy new ways to implement mirrors into the home environment with dramatic yet refined results.

"The new sense of design with mirrors has provided some groundbreaking interior aesthetic inside the home," says Randy Brooks of Gardner Glass Products. "New effects with mirror. including colored mirror. mirror with acid-etching, new custom sizes and beveling. etc., provide homeowners with a great design palette to add pizzazz to the home while

fitting any design style." Here are a few designer secrets for using mirrors or decorative glass to update your home:

In the Bath * A large mirror over a vanity can open up the space visually.

* A framed mirror along with updated towels or hardware can update the space instantly.

* Glass shower enclosures instead of a shower curtain make a small bathroom feel

less crowded. * A mirrored wall can

brighten up a small, understaircase powder room. Elsewhere in the Home * A mirrored or back-

painted glass backsplash in

the kitchen reflects light back into the room without costly electrical work. * Transparent or a semitransparent decorative glass

in the upper kitchen-cabinet doors is an easy way to change the look instantly * In the den. a large framed

mirror over a fireplace adds a warm focal point as well as reflected light. * In the fover, a mirrored wall portion can make the

entrance area feel larger. * Glass table makes a dining room or sunny kitchen nook feel less cramped and allows

colorful rugs, cushions and

centerpieces to add impact.

How long will these creative solutions last? The housing market could make a complete recovery, but it's doubtful in the short term. In the meantime, think creatively and add new sparkle to an existing space. For more information on using mirrors, plus some design ideas, visit the Web site of the Glass Association of North

America's Mirror Division at

www.mirror-link.org.

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| SOUTH RIDGE G2 3bed/2 bath, stopeside | |
| MOUNTAIN VISTA 3bed/2.5 bath, riverfrontage | |
| PINE HAVEN DUPLEX UNIT 1A 3 bed/2.5bath | |
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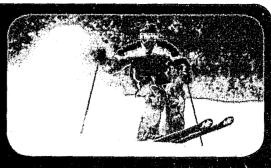
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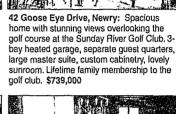
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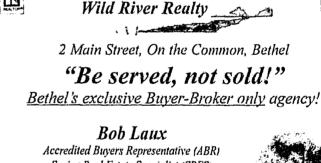
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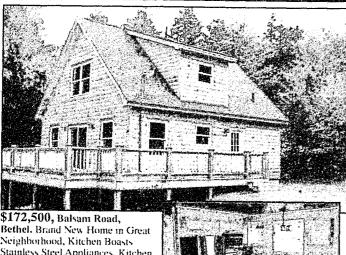
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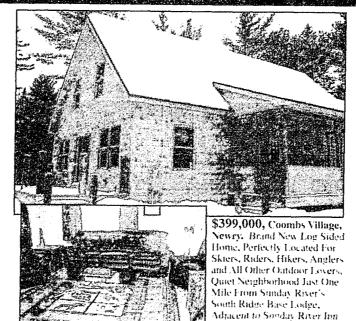
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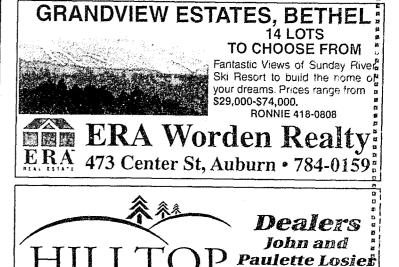


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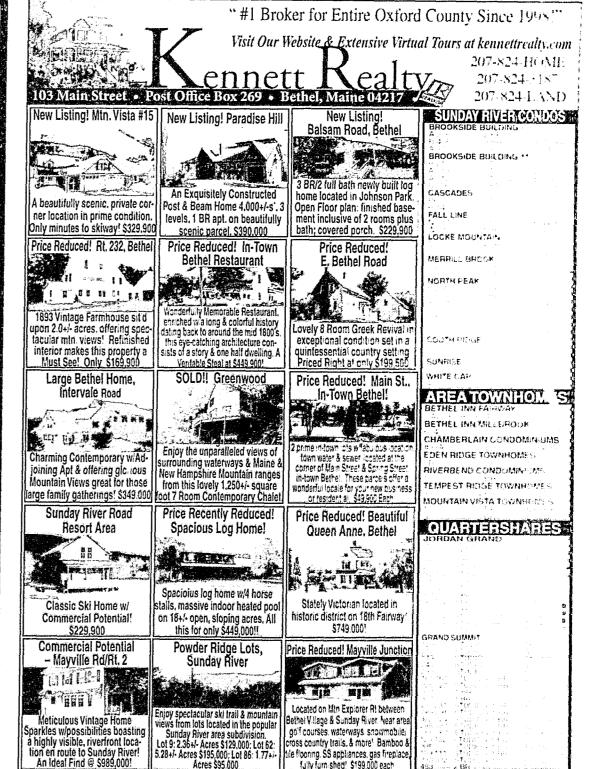
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chael Walsh of Point Pleas-

ant Beach, N.J., Patricia Reil-

ly and her husband James

Byron of Hertford, N.C., and

Mary and Ilhan Bozkurt of

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ing grandchildren, Sarah

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and Ryan Brown; her great-

grandchildren, Romeo and

Kamilah Villanueva; and her

dearest sister and brother-in-

law, Mary and Robert Carew

of Franklin, Mass.; and sev-

eral nieces and nephews all

of Massachusetts. She was

predeceased by her brothers,

Edward, Thomas, and John

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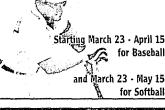


VIRGINIA KENISTON Virginia (Ginny) Margaret Davis Keniston, 86, of Bethel, died peacefully Tuesday, March 10, 2009 surrounded by family after suffering a stroke on Sunday.

She was born Nov. 24, 1922 to Elsie and Earl Davis in Bethel. She graduated from Gould Academy and Gorham Normal School, after which she taught school before starting a family.

She was an active woman who shared her life with many people in many ways. She ran a pre-school and swap shop in the early years. She continued to work in the school and town libraries for many years. She was a member of the Bethel Methodist

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Church, the Cross Country Quilters, The Bethel Historical Society and The Red Hat Society just to name a few of her endeavors.

Her column in the Bethel Citizen brought neighborhood news for many years.

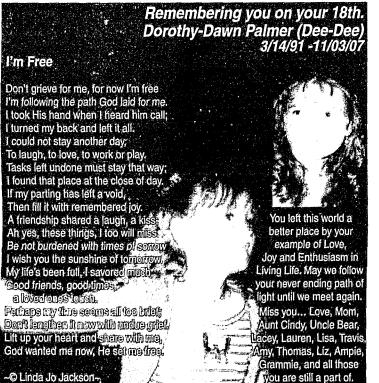
Her greatest joy was time spent sharing her love with family. Family gatherings at home and the family's Songo camp were a common occurrence.

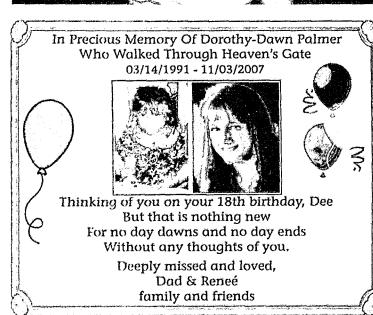
Ginny and her husband Bob had many adventures together in their 64 years of marriage. Alaska, Quebec and Labrador were only a few of their fishing grounds (she always caught the biggest fish). Fall was spent at Fryeburg Fair as salesman for Bob's woodturnings and Saturday nights were always spent dancing where they were well known for their smooth style and their many dancing buddies.

She is survived by her husband. Robert: brother, Jerry Davis and wife Diana; sisterin-law, Amy Davis; and her children, Martha Bangs and husband Glenn, Rachel McKnight and husband Ted, David Keniston and wife Jodi, Peter Keniston and wife Stacey and son-in-law Lennie Shaw. She also leaves behind 11 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, Earl and Elsie Davis; her brother, Stanley Davis; and her daughter, Rebecca Shaw.

Funeral Services will be held at the Bethel Methodist Church on Friday, March 13 at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to the Bethel Methodist Church at 79 Main Street, Bethel, ME 04217.









CRAIG CURTIS

Craig Curtis, 46, loving husband of Teresa Curtis (Brown), lost his courageous two-year battle with Leukemia at Maine Medical Center with his loving family and friends by his side, on March 8, 2009.

He was born in Norway Maine on July 19, 1962 the son of Daniel and Linda Curtis and was educated in local schools, receiving his high school diploma at OHHS in 1980.

He was a very hard-working small business owner for 27 years servicing car dealerships from Portland, Maine to Gorham, N.H., he also owned and ran a used car sales and service in Casco with his wife and sons. He worked in real estate investments for over 18 years. Through his hard work and dedication Craig provided his family with everything they could ever want, always meeting their needs with a glad heart. He developed and ran his businesses with such integrity and honesty.

He loved spending special times with his family and friends especially the many vacations to Ocean Isle, N.C. He enjoyed playing basketball, and playing the stock market. He also enjoyed history, Clint Eastwood movies, and was a very passionate and dedicated football fan of the Dallas Cowboys and the New England Pa-

He will always be remembered for his capacity to love and give endlessly to his

I do not need a special day to

The days I do not think of you

Each morning when I awake

And no one knows the heartache

My heart still aches with sadness

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family, always giving of his strength unselfishly to others during his own time of need. He will also be remembered for his great sense of humor with all of the many tricks he played on his nieces and nephews. He touched the lives of all whom knew him in an enormous way throughout his entire life. He valued life, and was valued by all who were touched by his life. He always appreciated and truly enjoyed all of the many "little things in life," and always had a smile. Craig has left behind his lov-

ing wife, Teresa Curtis of Oxford, of over 28 years married on Sept. 6, 1980; two beloved sons, Kyle Curtis of Norway and Tyler Curtis of Oxford; his beloved parents, Daniel and Linda Curtis of Oxford; mother-in-law Sandra Brown of South Paris, father-in-law, Robert Brown and wife Cheryl of South Paris; brother, Scott Curtis and wife Billie of Oxford; sisters, Lisa Tipple and husband Brent of Hudson, N.Y, Wendy Moshimer and husband Scott of Chatham, N.Y., and sister April Curtis of Oxford; sister-in-law Marilyn Swan and husband James of Bethel; sister-in-law Connie Bergen and partner Starr of Kennebunk; brother-in-law Bob Brown and wife Jenna of Poland: sister-in-law, Suzanne Atkinson and husband Mike of Cornville; sister-in-law Natalie Pike of Framingham, Mass.; many nieces and nephews; Melissa, Bion, Mike, Sarah, Ben, Wade, Adam, Garrett, Tyler, Peter, Becky, Vanessa, Christopher, Katie, Zachary, Allie, and Jake; many aunts and uncles; friends, Bill and Stephanie Gates, Tom and Vivian Glover, and Jim Maxfield. He was predeceased by his grandparents, Erland and Patricia Paine, Richard and Ila Curtis, Ethel Martin and husband Milton, and Ronald Martin.

Family and friends are invited to attend a visitation on Friday, March 13, from 2 to 3 p.m. followed by funeral services at 3 p.m. at Oxford Hills Funer-

In Loving Memory of

Richard S. Kimball Ir.

passed away March 15, 1989 al Services, 1037 Main Street. Route 26, Oxford, Maine. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Craig's name to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, www.leukemialymphoma.org in his memory, please mention Acute Lymphatic Leukemia (ALL). Please join the family after the funeral services for a gathering at the South Paris American Legion Hall located on Church Street. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com.

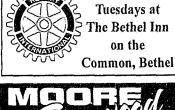


GENEVIEVE VEDELLA

Genevieve "Grambo" Reilly Vedella, 84, of Brick. N.J., formerly of Colts Neck, N.J., passed away peacefully Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at Ocean Medical Center, Brick,

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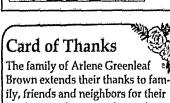
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ding refreshments and a place to gather following the service. The numerous charitable donations that have been made in her name are much appreciated.

on Posted Ways Ordinance for the Town of Greenwood, certain roads in Greenwood are posted with weight limits of 23,000 pounds gross vehicle weight. If is anticipated that these restrictions will be in effect from March 08, 2009 to May 15, 2009 unless lifted prior to that date.

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